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CHAPTER 31 NANA-HIME CAPTURED

I want a new girl in my harem.

When I said that to everyone.

"That is natural, why did you not do it until now?"

"As Kakeru-sama wishes to"

"Master is a devil, so"

"Please let me enter the harem——eh?! I'm already in it?!"

I was told a lot, but there wasn't an opposition. Instead, I was told to do it a lot more.

Delfina even said, if there isn't a hundred, it wouldn't be enough.

Just like that, I started to find girls to put in my harem.



At lunch at Purosu-Tei. After the hunting and mining work, together with Io, I went.

"Welcome——Kakeru-san!"

The poster girl Fiona welcomed me with a wide smile.

"It's been a while, Kakeru-san!"

"Yeah, it's been a while. Is Marie-chan alright already?"

"Yes, thanks to you. Ah! Please come here"

Io and I were guided to a seat.

"Marie was saying that she wanted to go to Kakeru-san's place and say thanks, but, is it not an inconvenience?"

"Inconvenience? Why?"

They're going to say thanks, why would it be an inconvenience?

"Is that so, then, we will be coming soon"

"Yeah"

"By the way, Kakeru-sama has recently have amazing success right. There's a lot of rumors you know"

"Rumors?"

"Yes. Like defeating an army alone, like defeating a monster bigger than a house with one attack, and things like defeating that famous Orycuto, ignoring its weakness, with only a sword. A lot of rumors that were a bit exaggerated is flying around. Those who only heard the rumors "What kind of monster is that?" they exclaimed, the rumors are exaggerated just like that"

The truth is, it wasn't exaggerated, they are all true. The army was about Kiril's 1000 troops, the monster bigger than a house was about Hell's Emperor, and about the Orycuto——.

I looked at Io, she looked away for a bit.

"I'm sorry, I bragged to my friends"

"Bragging huh"

I don't know how she bragged about it, but well, I don't feel bad about it.

"But.....you really are holding the Demon Sword huh"

Fiona looked at Eleanor.

Marie was really possessed by Eleanor, so she had deep emotions about it.

"I'll properly take care of this. I won't let anything like what happened to Marie-chan happen again, so don't worry"

"Yes!"

I might do something like what I did to Delfina though, that was convenient if I just choose where to use it.

[Don't treat me as a convenient thing!]

I heard some objection, but pretend I couldn't hear it at all.

After having a small talk with Fiona, I ordered.

Fiona returned to her work, and this time, I talked to Io.

"But, it had become rumors like that huh"

"Based on what I've heard, it seems it had reached the nearby country. A knight with a dark sword that protects a princess, they said. At first, I didn't know what was that about though"

"That's because I saved Helen"

Somehow, in places that I'm not aware of, it was being rumored a lot.

As I've thought, I don't feel bad about it.

"Oi, did you hear it. The subjugation war against the barbarians, it looks like they pushed back"

"What did you say? Are you saying what Helen-sama did was all for nothing" "Mu?!"

My ears picked up a voice.

It was a pair of men who was sitting on the opposite side of the store. They were gossiping.

Because Helen's name came out, I focused and hear their voices.

"Because Helen-sama's direct subordinate had a great win, wasn't it a clean-up war after that"

"This is just rumors though, it seems like when the princess of the barbarians went to the front lines, they pushed back with momentum again. The battlefields where that came out, there was a succession of victories, it was with an irresistible force. Right now, it looks like she's being called like goddess of victory or hakua no seijo"

"He~. Princess of the barbarians and a warrior huh, that's surely a gorilla-like woman huh"

"They say though"

One of the men smirks. His voice suddenly became naughty.

"They say it's an amazing beauty"

"That's only rumors right"

"No, this side's soldier......I heard this from someone who ran away, but it was an incredible beauty he said"

"No way"

"This is, maybe, only maybe, but. If their momentum stays——"

When it became, expecting the loss of the kingdom, and what they would do after that, I stopped hearing their voice.

But.....I heard something good.

Beautiful, and strong princess,

If it's really true, I need to confirm it with my own eyes.

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At the mansion at night, when I asked about it to Helen that came, she answered as usual.

"It is about Nana Kanou right"

"That's a name easy to call huh"

At least for me, who is Japanese.

"I was just being worried about that"

"I heard in the rumors, she was very strong and had continuous victories though?"

"That is a fact. First battle——probably her first battle, she defeated our army of 2000 people with only a small group of 30 people. The soldiers who got out alive at that time is still trembling with fear, and still could not talk properly"

"Is that true"

"With that first fight they got the momentum, and soldiers started to gather on their side. And their numbers increased, and started to get a lot more momentum. To not let them increase their momentum any longer, instead of the troops from that area, it is being talked about that a proper pacified army would be sent there"

"It has become that big of a thing huh"

Is it that important.

I thought about it a little.

"What should I do to join that pacified army?"

"Kakeru-sama will?"

"Yeah. I'm interested about that princess"

"I see", Helen nodded.

I just told her that I wanted to increase the harem members, so she understood it very quickly. "Joining itself is very easy, if you enter as a soldier. But, with that, Kakerusama's goal would not be achieved"

"Why?"

"It is decided in the kingdom's policy, that it would be public execution after capturing her. If she is left alive, there is a possibility of a comeback, and if she was killed unclearly, rumors will run wild, and it will be troublesome after that"

"Ah∼, I see I see"

There's a lot of things like that right.

Toyotomi survived after the Osaka no Jin, there was also that theory.

It's true that if that happens, it would be very troublesome to the kingdom's side.

But public execution.....if it was like that I would be troubled.

"That is why, there is a need for Kakeru-sama to attack separate from the army, and capture her yourself. Or, Kakeru-sama himself would lead troops as a general, and capture her"

"I see"

I looked at Helen, and asked.

"Is it okay with Helen? Even if I capture her"

Of course, this is a question for "princess" Helen.

There's also the kingdom's policy.

But Helen answered without hesitation.

"As Kakeru-sama wishes"

She answered as usual.

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Euboi.

I had already came here before, to the town that is currently the frontlines of the war against the barbarians right now, I took Delfina with me and jumped using Warp.

Compared to the last time I came to this town, it had a more strict atmosphere.

"Euboi's current soldiers is 500, if I am correct, there are 3000 on the other side. I heard that it they were gathering, but they gathered more than expected" "The powerful clans nearby came to her place at once. They are probably planning to use her as an idol. If they lend their powers right now and gain their favor, they would have an authority on the distribution of rewards after the kingdom is defeated" "I see"

"That is why, if they are left alone, they will increase a lot more. This time not only the powerful clans, but also civilians will join. She was very charismatic according to the rumors"

"I see"

"And then, what shall we do"

"Fumu"

I thought about it.

The opponent is 3000 people.

Defeating them head-on will be difficult.

My side's forces is me and the harem's four, and the ghost maid Tanya that I can summon.

Even if I lend powers to everyone, it would still be difficult.

"It would be the best to let the both sides collide, and get the trophy from the side"
"I agree desuwa. By the way, there is this kind of information"

"Information?"

"Yes. It looks like Nana Kanou went to backlines for once. There was a fight between both powerful clans, and she is going to mediate that, they say"

"That's the fate of troops suddenly gathered, no order huh"

It's the kind of talk that I can feel its difficulty in it.

"And, the soldiers that are accompanying her is 500. I also have the route they are going to use desuwa"

"It's impressing you know that information"

"That's because information is the life of a merchant"

Delfina said that without being proud of it.

I see, I am convinced.

"That information.....that's probably expensive right"

"I can accept payment after success, if you want"

"Sold then"



Using the information I got from Delfina, I was hiding on top of that route.

Alone, I am standing in the middle of the road while striking a daunting pose.

By the way, I left behind the women of the harem.

I can also let them fight together by lending my ability, but it would be dangerous if the time limit of 5 minutes comes with the single-use, so I let them pass this time.

After waiting a while, the target came by itself.

As what the information said, it was a 500-man troops.

"Who are you, sto——"

I slashed down the soldier in the lead without mercy.

My target is Nana Kanou, only one. There is no need for useless questions.

I swung Eleanor and started slashing at the soldiers.

Because it suddenly happened, the soldiers were overwhelmed, but.

"Do not panic, maintain formation, deal with it calmly"

I heard a voice. It was a beautiful voice with core in it.

When I looked at the direction of the voice, I saw a woman wearing white armor between the soldiers.

As the rumors had said, she was a beauty.

I was almost mesmerized, but noticed the change.

The pressure——got stronger.

I was thinking of running through where Nana was, but I was stopped on my feet.

Just like, a feeling of charging into a thick wall.

It was far stronger than the soldiers that Kiril had led.

"Her leading ability huh"

[They are well-trained]

"I should do it seriously huh"

I backed off with one step, and fix my grip to Eleanor.

Eleanor with a horizontal stance. Dark aura started to come out from its blade.

"Demon Sword"

"Demon Sword.....is it the rumored Eleanor"

"Knight of dark sword....."

The soldiers were distressed.

I charged into that, and slashed at the soldiers that was on my way one next to the other.

After cutting about a hundred people, I reached Nana.

"Eleanor's watch dog huh!"

"I'm being thought like that huh. I came to capture you"

"I won't let you do it, I'll defeat you instead!!"

Nana unsheathed her sword.

It was somehow a regular long sword, but the tail? that was on the end of its handle was fluttering, and combined with her style, it was very cool.

"Here I come!!"

She swung the long sword at me.

I received it with Eleanor, with metal sounds, sparks were flying out.

She's strong. At least I can say, she was the strongest among the opponents that I had fought until now.

Beautiful, strong, and have style.

"I see" I thought she was as the rumors had told.

I exchanged swords with Nana. Before I knew it, the soldiers was looking from afar, entered observation mode, and it became a one on one with Nana.

The soldiers are making a composed faces. "There's no way our Nana-Hime would lose." they were those kind of faces. The exchange of blows also makes them feel more like that.

It's fun exchanging slashes with Nana like this, but I decided to do the goal in the first place, and capture her.

"Haaaaaaaa!!" "Fun!"

I released my full strength, and while being careful not to wound Nana, I parried away her long sword. The long sword makes a few turns, and pierced the ground.

I thrust Eleanor to Nana's throat.

"Khu! Kill Me!"

"Don't worry, because I won't kill you"

I picked up Nana's sword, took her with me and warped to the mansion.

Nana was surprised with the warp.

Well then, I captured her with this.

This is where the real part starts.

CHAPTER 32 FALL OF NANA-HIME

Because of being suddenly taken to the bed of the bedroom, Nana was surprised.

"Where is this?"

"This is my mansion. We are at Roizen"

"Roizen you say? Don't tell such lies! There's no way that you can move to Roizen in that instant!"

"I'll teach you about that later. But, seeing you at a bright place, I can clearly see your beauty. Different kind of beauty with Helen though"

"Helen you say?"

Nana wrinkled her eyebrows.

"You, do you call your lord without honorifics"

"I see, it had become like that huh"

"What do you mean"

"Helen isn't my lord, you know. Rather, it's the opposite. I am Helen's master"

"Master?"

"Harem's master, you can also say"

"Ha——"

Nana's face was blushed. It seems she reacted when I said harem.

Maybe, is she the type that has no experience with that?

If I think about it, the way she talks since earlier, it feels awfully stuffy. There is Irishime, a similar type to her, but she feels more strict than her.

Princess of barbarians, that is what I heard, but if I chose, she rather looks like a general or a martial artist, that kind of type.

WanaWana Nana trembled, and got angry. "Don't tell ridiculous lies, Helen wouldn't, with a man like you——" "Well well, you'll know that later on. Even if you don't want, when Helen comes" With my way of saying it, Nana was confused. "That Helen.....?" "Rather than that, this matter should be done first" "Mu.....!" "By the way, the reason you're captured though" "I'm going to tell you, even if you caught me, it's not like the momentum of my army will falter. Even more if you cut me. With my death, the morale will more and more— ___" "Ahh, that's not it. That's not it so don't worry" "That's not it?" "The reason you were caught is......I wanted you in my harem, that's why" "Na!--" Nana got stuck on her words, *WanaWana* trembles. "How's that?" "I refuse!" "By any means?" "Of course!" ".....what should I do to make you say "Un"?" I asked with a little kind voice.

Nana made a surprised face in an instant, and after that, she made a provoking face

and said.

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"Maybe if you win against me"

"I just won earlier though"

"T-That was, I was just letting my guard down"

"Letting your guard down huh. Well, that's okay"

I took Nana's sword, and thrust from its handle to her.

Because of that, she was surprised again.

"Are you serious?"

"Yeah"

"You will regret this"

Nana took the sword and made a stance.

The pressure was pushing onto me, it was stronger than the pressure earlier.

"I had lost earlier, but.....this time I won't lose"

"If you lose this time, what will you do"

"I'll do whatever you say"

"You said it right? If you lose, I will make you enter my harem"

"All right. Earlier, I was holding back because the soldiers might be caught by my attack, but with one on one like this——"

Nana who was slashing at me, I stopped her with Eleanor.

With the shockwave of that, the bed shook.

It's true, I felt it stronger than before.

The speed and weight of it, it feels it had increased by one rank up.

With this, I can understand having the confidence of not losing.

"W-Who is it, the person inside"

From outside of the room, I heard Miu's voice.

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"Miu huh. It's me"
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It was a voice in a hurry at first, but as soon as she knew that I was the one inside, Miu calmed down, and went somewhere just like that.

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"Don't look away!"
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"0~to. That right now was the sharpest"

"Khu!"

I released my full strength a little and swung Eleanor, and flicked away her long sword.

With the same way that I did earlier, I disabled Nana.

Nana looks at her hand, and her sword that fell on the ground.

Her eyes opened wide, and made an unbelievable face.

"I did it with full strength, no way", it was that kind of face.

"How is it?"

"Khu!.....kill me"

"I told you right, I won't kill you"

I sheathed Eleanor.

"Rather than that, I won you know"

Hinting her to protect her promise, I said that, then Nana looked sideways, and roughly

[&]quot;Master? Had you come back"

[&]quot;Yeah. It's alright here, so Miu should go back to your work"

[&]quot;Yes. I understand"

said.

".....do what you want"

"Is it alright?"

"A lose is a lose, I will not take back my words"

"You gave up properly huh"

"I will tell you only this. Even though I said you can play with my body, don't think that you can play with my heart"

Nana said that while glaring at me.

How can I say this.....that, isn't that a flag?

Well, she went out of her way of raising a flag, then I should just do it just like that.

I embraced Nana's shoulders who lost her will to resist, and pushed her down on top of the bed.



Nana had become *ToroToro*.

Receiving my attack that was bottomless, she was exhausted on top of the bed.

"Are you okay?"

There was the thing with Delfina, so I think she's okay, but I got curious after all, and asked her.

When I did that, light returned to Nana's eyes.

While laid down, she glared at me with strong eyes.

"With only this.....you think that I'd succumb"

"Ah! You're okay. Thank goodness"

"With only this, even if you do it many times, I would not succumb"

"Un, well, it's not only with that though"

".....ha?" Nana's eyes rolled. And *KonKon*, there was a knocking sound. "Miu huh?" "Yes. Is it alright if I enter now, Master? Am I not going to be attacked?" Lattacked her before too. "It's alright" "Then, please excuse me" Miu who entered was with a tray, and two cups were placed on top of that. Inside the cup, there was water. "I had brought you water" "How thoughtful" "I thought that it was the time that Master would start the second round. So I thought it was good if you replenish with water" "As expected of someone who experienced it, you know what's up" "Second.....round?" Nana was surprised with her life on it. "Yeah, second round" "Wait, does that mean, we're going to do it again?" "Of course" ".....that's a joke right" "Well then, Master. I will bring water again at the third and fourth round"

"Ohh, can I ask you that"

"Third round and fourth round you say?!!"

Miu swiftly went outside of the bedroom.

The way it looked like she was running a little, it looks like there are still the effects of attacking her before.

I should properly *MofuMofu* and take care of her later.

But before that. I looked towards Nana.

"Let's continue"

"Wait, how many times are you planning to do this, you"

"[J~n?"

I thought about it a little.

"About, 700 times of a normal man huh?"

"Na!--"

When I said that naturally, Nana lost her words.

She tries to run away on top of the bed, but of course, I won't let her run away. I caught her, and declared.

"We're going to do it"

"D——do what you want. I will not succumb whatever happens"

Nana strongly said. That side of her that she is still saying something like that, I liked her more.

I loved Nana to my content.

On the front and on the back, top and bottom, I loved them all, I made it all mine.

But still, Nana resisted. Even if her body had been exhausted, "I will not lose", "I will

never succumb to this", she said.

Eventually, the time she fell was around dawn, it was around the end of the eighth round when Miu entered the room to replenish water, it was soon after that.

If I say it with numbers, it happened around when I lightly exceeded a hundred times.

Just like that, Nana became my woman.

CHAPTER 33

TEA IS DRANK BEFORE IT IS COLD

Morning, when I was eating breakfast, Nana went inside.

Wearing both her white armor and long sword, it was a sturdy look.

"Are you alright? Waking up"

"It's alright"

However you look at her, her knees were shaking, but she acts as if it was normal. It's amazing guts.

"I see. Well, when it really becomes too hard don't push yourself and rest. If I see your energetic look, I might want to attack you, so tell me no when you really can't, it would also be helping on my side"

"T-Thank you for your thoughtfulness"

Nana was taken aback a little.

Just like that, she stands diagonally behind me.

With her back sturdily stretched, one of her hand was touching the sword's hilt Just like a bodyguard.

"You should sit too"

"But"

"Inside the mansion, you're my woman. Eating together is one of your duties"

When I emphasized on duty, Nana said "Then", got convinced and sat. As I've thought, with that on her mind, she was doing something like a bodyguard.

She is very straightforward and easy to understand. And that part of her is cute too.

With Miu's serving, Nana and I ate breakfast. Without talking about anything, it was a silent meal.

"Good morning"

This time, Delfina came. She was also had a proper, merchant-like look.

"Good morning. I'm sorry yesterday"

"I was surprised with that. I didn't think that you would pick me up wearing a towel on your lower half. I thought something might've happened"

"Because it was the in the middle of the fourth round"

"After that, how many rounds did you go?"

"Eight?"

I looked at Nana, and asked her as if to confirm.

Nana blushed and got quiet. It is embarrassing so she can't answer, it was a yes with silence.

"You're good, you. To be able to keep up with that alone"

"You.....too?"

"Yes. Now that think of it, I had not introduced. I am Delfina Homer Lanmari"

"I'm Nana Kanou. Delfina.....don't tell me, "that" Delfina"

"Yes, that Delfina that you had requested for funds desu"

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Nana made a surprised face and looked at me.

Instead, I got interested in the two's conversation.

"What do you mean by request for funds?"

"Rebel army.....ahh, I am calling it by that name, they sought to request funds from

me. Of course, they presented a lot of return by the time that they succeeded" "Did you funded them with that"

"No way"

Delfina laughed.

"The rebellion, this time, had deep connections to Helen-denka. If that is so, it is very clear that Yuuki-sama would come out somewhere. Placing chip to the side that is definitely going to lose, is like throwing money into a ditch"

"I was irritated at the time I heard we were refused.....but if it's right now, I am convinced"

Nana looked at me and said.

"If you knew about Aruji, it is natural to decide that"

"Instead, to Helen-denka.....no, I was just thinking about how to place debt on Mercouri Kingdom"

Delfina said that, and looked at me hinting about something.

"What should I do"

I asked directly.

"Yuuki-sama should lead corps.....and please subdue the rebellion"

Delfina said with a smile just like a flower had bloomed(I knew later, that it was the face she make when she was sure of something).

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In the outskirts of Euboi.

I took the three, Nana, Delfina, and Miu. Leading a 300 men troops, I am facing the 1500 rebel army.

The rebel army was clearly distressed that I can see if from afar.

"Sending the surrender call with your name had its effects huh"

I said to Nana who was beside me.

"I'm sorry to not be of your power"

"That is enough desuwa, at the first place, I was not thinking that they will surrender with only with that call. Those soldiers are mostly the private army of the powerful clans. They are ones who have their families in their homeland"

"Then, did you did it just to make them distressed"

I asked Delfina.

"That's right desuwa"

"I see, I got it. And, these 300 men are?"

"There is no problem thinking of them as mercenaries that I've hired"

"Why did you do that purposely. In Euboi, there should be at least 500 soldiers right" "If those soldiers were used to subdue the rebellion, it wouldn't be that much of an achievement, it won't be a debt with that. I want to subdue them only using my power

desuno"

"I see"

If that is how it is, then I'm convinced.

"Then, should I just annihilate that?" "What do you think desuno?" Delfina sought Nana for her opinion. "What we can see there is the flag of Aeros. The powers of Aeros is the rebel army's main power, after trampling them, it would only be a gathering of small powers" "Under that flag, there is the Aeros-something huh" "Yes" "I'll ask though, what will happen if I cut the general? Would they be devastated? or is there not much effect?" I don't know the common knowledge of this world so I asked. Is it the pattern just like the Warring Period, that if the general dies their house itself starts to decline (just like Imagawa Yoshimoto), or the pattern that had not much of an effect, I got curious which one it was. "If Aeros is defeated they would be devastation at once" "I see" Then, I'll go cut that huh. "Master, the tea is ready" I took the tea Miu made and tasted it. "Hot!"

It was too hot I thought my tongue would be burned.

"I'm sorry! It was outside, so I am not used to it"
"Ahh, it's alright"

I put down the tea, and held Eleanor.

"I'll just go for a bit"

I said that, left the women that were making strange expression behind, and warped. The place I warped at was under the flag of Aeros. In the middle of enemy lines.

"What, who are you!"

The enemy soldier found me and shouted at me suddenly.

I looked around. I saw a middle-aged man who was wearing a very new armor with a splendid beard.

"You are Aeros huh"

"Yes I am, and who are you who asks that"

"Yuuki Kakeru. Will you know it if I say Wielder of the Demon Sword"

"You are the one who deceived Nana himself huh. What a good timing, I do not know how you were able to reach here, but if you are defeat——"

"Your boasting is too long"

A flash.

I drew Eleanor, and cut away the head of Aeros.

It was so sudden, so the people around couldn't catch up with the situation.

I picked up the head of Aeros, and warped back.

"I'm back. Is it correct with this?"

I showed the head to Nana.

"Yes, it's no doubt that is Aeros"

Nana, without taken aback, nodded.

"Then it's alright"

I gave the head to a soldier, and took the tea.

It was hot earlier, but it was drinkable right now.

"Nana. Can I ask you to do the rest"

"Ha!"

"Then, I'll count on you"

When I said that, Nana led 300 men and charged an attack.

She overwhelmed the opponent that was in a huge confusion after losing Aeros, I watched the sight of her trampling them, while I took the tea that became drinkable and *MofuMofu*-d Miu.

CHAPTER 34 ONE MORE CHANCE

After subduing the rebellion, while Helen was taking care of the post-war and Delfina giving debts like a hard sale, I grabbed lottery tickets and went to the lottery place.

As soon as the lottery place staff saw me, said with a smile.

"Dear customer, you came at a very good timing. Today is the last day of the limited lottery. You wouldn't believe it, all prizes will be doubled"

"Doubled!"

With the excitement, I couldn't help raising a voice.

"That means, every jackpot there is twice the prize?"

"Yes, from participation prize to first prize, everything will be doubled"

"Isn't that unfair to the people who drew until now"

Eleanor in her loli appearance was saying that behind me, but I ignored her.

Rather than that, it's double, if it's double lottery——I should draw with all my strength.

"Will you like to draw right now?"

"Of course. Count it"

I passed the lottery ticket to the staff.

It's the lottery ticket I collected from hunting, loving everyone in the harem, and subjugation of the rebel army.

"Yes, 20 tickets it is. Well then, please draw 22 times"

"Yossha!!"

I grabbed the lottery machine's lever——and turned it at once.

GaraGaraGara, the balls come out one next to the other.

Participation prize, participation prize, third prize, participation prize......

The result of drawing 22 times, 2 second prize, 6 third prize, and the rest participation prize.

All of those doubled, 4 second prize, 12 third prize, and the participation prize was a whopping 28.

I got a lot, and the result of drawing in reality, the "double" was more amazing than expected.

It was amazing, but.....

"First prize didn't come out after all huh"

"Customer-san has better luck you know. Normally, second prize or third prize, it won't come out this much"

"Even if you say that, I wanted the first prize though"

I looked at the prizes list.

• First Prize Ability Lending (1 hour)

I wanted to get the one that has the most effect duration.

It's the last day and since it's double, it was more so.

".....it would be double throughout today right"

"Yes, today is the last day, so until the day ends, it would be double"

"Until when is the lottery open?"

"Until the date changes"

"I got it"

I took Eleanor and left the lottery place.

I returned to the mansion. I asked Eleanor who returned to her sword form.

[You asked the time, so are you going to collect it right now?]

"Yeah, it's only once, so if I can draw, I want to draw without regretting it"

[I see. But, what will you do? You collected 20 tickets using all the money you could use. More than that, where do you plan on collecting it?]

"I have one thing on my mind. It's up to luck though"

[Where is that?]



After going to the guild once, I warped to the forest where the Undead Army was sealed.

It was the third time I came here. In the sealing point, there were a few adventurers. It looks like they're the ones the guild sent to monitor it.

"Kakeru-san? What happened"

Within them, one young male talked to me.

It's a face I don't know, but it looks like his side knows about me.

There's no time, so I immediately cut to the chase.

"You came here doing a quest from the guild right. So that when an accident happens, it could be resealed"

"Yes, that is me"

"I see. Then, not only sealing it, can you also release it?"

"Release on this side? Well, I can do it, though....."

Why? was written on his face.

"Can you release it right now"

"Ehhh? W-Why"

"Just something. Don't worry, I won't do bad things"

"Did you tell Andreu-san this?"

"I talked to him earlier"

I showed him the envelope I got from the guild.

With the help of Andreu in the guild, the conversation proceeded smoothly.

Since they're recognition about it was, it was thanks to me that they were able to seal it, the talk was fast.

"I understand, please wait a minute"

"I'm counting on you"

The young male said, went to the seal's place and released it.

And when I was waiting there for a second, zombies came out right away.

I cut that in two with one attack.

Skeletons came next, and I cut them into two just like earlier.

Monsters were emerging one next to the other, and as soon as they appeared I defeated them with one attack.

I feel like was hunting monsters with unlimited spawn. It was also like this when I first got the first lottery ticket, and at that time I defeated what Eleanor summoned one next to the other.

Until the day ends, since I had no cash on me, this was the way that I chose.

The efficiency is low, but I bet everything on that.

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Before the date changes, I ran to the lottery place.

"Welcome. Only 5 minutes are remaining, Customer-san"

"I made it huh"

I was a little relieved.

There is one lottery ticket in my hand.

After that, I was endlessly hunting on the unlimited spawn, this was the most valuable one ticket that I picked up.

"Here, this"

"One ticket huh, is it okay not 10 pieces"

"I couldn't collect that after all"

"Is that so. But well, at times that someone wins a prize, they win even with one ticket"

I was told that as lip service. Right now, even with that, I was thankful.

"Yeah, I came to win a prize"

I declared confidently.

My heart was throbbing.

The precious one ticket, the big game in its last-minute.

I placed my hand to the lottery machine——and got petrified.

"Customer-san?"

"What happened"

The staff and Eleanor asked at the same time.

I stared at Eleanor with her loli appearance intently, and asked.

"You, is your luck good?"

"Mine huh? I wonder, maybe it is very decent?"

"The prizes that came out when it was you were higher right. You also got the Warp Feather with one draw"

"When I think about it, that is right.don't tell me, you plan to let me draw with that"

" "

I thought that it might be better that way.

The thing called luck, there's a flow in it. I had already drawn 22 times, so there's the possibility that "flow" had not come to me.

If it's Eleanor, she might get the prize.....it's completely occult to think that though.

"Stop it, even if it is me, I do not feel I could win with only one draw. I was just lucky that time"

"It's fine even with that, please draw it"

"If you say it is fine, then I do not mind, but"

"Are you sure, Customer-san"

Even the staff was saying that.

"Yeah"

"Then, I'll draw it. Carry me up"

Eleanor who couldn't reach with her height, demanded that from me.

".....wait a minute"

When I was about to carry Eleanor up——a stopped her again. I had an idea about something. I got excited. I was so excited that my excitement before looks cute. "Customer-san? If you don't draw quickly it will end you know?" "We'll draw quickly. Before that——" I started at Eleanor, and used what I got from the limited lottery to her. [The Luck will be lent to Demon Sword Eleanor. Time Remaining 29 Seconds] "It's good with this. Well then, draw it now" I carried Eleanor up, and with her small hand, she touched the lottery machine. My heart was throbbing. I lent my luck to Eleanor. What will be lent is not my ability itself, but the multiplication. Eleanor's luck, multiplied by 777. *GaraGaraGara*——*Poton*.

The hand bell rings.

"Waaa, it's jackpot!"

What came out, was the golden ball I highly anticipated.

CHAPTER 35 KAKERU'S PORTRAIT

Afternoon, in the garden of the mansion.

Miu and Tanya, lining up the beast-man and ghost, I checked the ability.

"First is, lend luck to Miu"

[The Luck will be lent to Miu Mi Myuu. Time Remaining: 29 Seconds]

"Next is, lend luck to Tanya"

[The Luck is being lent to Miu Mi Myuu. Time Remaining: 23 Seconds]

An error-like something came back. It probably means that the same thing couldn't be lent to another person at the same time huh.

I also tried to lend the Luck to Eleanor, but it was being lent after all.

"Then next, magic powers of ice to Tanya, and following, magic powers of flame"

[The Magic Powers of Ice will be lent to Tanya Chichiakis. Time Remaining: 29 Seconds]

[The Magic Powers of Flame will be lent to Tanya Chichiakis. Time Remaining: 29 Seconds]

This time, it was effective. It means that to the same person, it is alright to lend multiple abilities at the same time.

While doing that, Miu's 30 seconds had ended.

"Then one more time, lend luck to Miu for 30 seconds"

[The Luck will be lent to Miu Mi Myuu. Time Remaining: 29 Seconds]

I did it. There's no cooldown huh.

And then, Tanya's 30 seconds ended.

"Wait here for a while"

I moved far away, to the mountain cow's grasslands, using Warp Feather.

"Lend magic powers of ice and flame to Tanya for 30 seconds"

Shi ~n, it went, nothing happened.

I returned by warping, and took Tanya with me towards the mountain cow's grasslands.

"Lend magic powers of ice and flame to Tanya for 30 seconds"

[The Magic Powers of Ice will be lent to Tanya Chichiakis. Time Remaining: 29 Seconds]

[The Magic Powers of Flame will be lent to Tanya Chichiakis. Time Remaining: 29 Seconds]

This time, I could properly lend it.

Probably, it couldn't be lent when far away.

I can continuously lend as long as they're nearby with no cooldown, but I need to use the one that has long effect duration when moving in separate ways.

Thinking of that.

"It's really great that the first prize was drawn"

[Feel gratitude for me]

"Yeah, I'll thank you honestly"

Anyways, with this, I was able to grasp the ability I drew in the limited lottery.

The assumption roughly——the good assumptions that its convenience to use, so I was very content.

I returned with Tanya to the mansion, and thanked the two who cooperated.

"Good work"

[It's finished? Then I'll return to the mansion then]

"To the mansion? Why"

[I get comfortable the best here after all]

Tanya said that, and returned to the mansion. It was probably the time she spent as a bounded ghost, since she feels most comfortable in the mansion.

And Miu, Eleanor and I was left behind.

I sat on the ground, and called Miu nearer.

"Come, Miu"

"Uhm.....are we going to do ecchi things?"

Miu was on the defensive.

"No, it's *MofuMofu*"

That's also good, but I want to *MofuMofu* better when we're alone together.

And if it was Miu alone, if I loved her on the erotic ways, I think I would do it too much and Miu wouldn't last.

"Yes!"

Miu sat on my lap with a wide smile, and I *MofuMofu*-d her.

Her soft ears and tails, *MofuMofu*.

Laid back, *MofuMofu*.

Yesterday, there was things like limited lottery and rebellion so it was a hard day, so I thought I'll spend today laid-back.

"Master's *MofuMofu* is so kind, so I, really like being *MofuMofu*-d by Master"

"Yeah, I also like to *MofuMofu*"

"I'm not good with Master when he's ecchi"

"I'm sorry about that. Are you scared"

"I'm not scared, but......I think I'd die, so I'm not good at it"

I see. From now on, I should do my best to be kind.

....."should" do my best.

After *MofuMofu*-ing Miu until she became *GoroGoro*, I heard footsteps.

When I looked at the direction of the sound, I saw Iris-hime.

Iris-hime who came by herself was somehow, looked at me and made a surprised face.

I wonder why.

"It's been a while"

When I called to her, Iris-hime entered, end went towards me.

"I'm surprised"

"What of?"

"It was a too different appearance to the recent rumors that I heard recently"

"Rumors?"

"A devil they said, the incarnation of evil they said, servant of the demon sword they said.....things like that"

"I have few things in mind with all of those. I also have objections though"

"That was said.....but to think you we're spending a peaceful time like this"

That's well, it was because I was *MofuMofu*-ing.

If she met me like yesterday, her impression would have been probably very different.

"Honestly, I was worried about Aneue. Is Aneue alright with a man with those kinds of rumors, I thought"

"Helen is my woman. I am taking care of my woman especially"

"I see"

After glancing Miu who got to sleep after *MofuMofu*, Iris-hime nodded.

"And, the reason Iris-hime came today is?"

It's unlikely that she came without reasons.

"I came to show this"

I took what Iris-hime took out.

They were five pieces of rectangular paper, every piece of them has the same drawing.

"This.....ahh, the new money huh"

"That's right, that is the paper money made from what Kakeru taught"

I stared at those intently.

The paper money was almost the same with Japanese Yen, in the back of it there was a royal palace-like place, in front was digits and an Ossan written with profuse dignity.

"This is"

"Chichi-ue.....it is King Mercouri"

"I see. Being that said.....it looks like color copied, it had no three-dimensional feeling in it"

The anti-counterfeiting technology that even I knew, for example watermarks or hologram, there wasn't even one of those.

"Kara—-kapi—?"

"It means printed in large quantities"

"It's printing is printing, but it is properly devised Because it was taught by Kakeru" "Un? ahh, the royal house's"

I remembered that, and told Miu.

"Miu, cast the distinction magic for the royal house's belongings"

"Yes, I understand"

Miu casted magic as she was told. After doing that, from the paper money, the crest of the royal house emerges.

"I see, it became like this huh. If I were correct, this can only be infused by members of the royal house right"

"Ahh. This is under production right now. Because a little time is needed to gather numbers enough to spread throughout the country, issuing it will be a bit later"

"I see"

I returned the paper money to Iris-hime.

Knowing that the advice that I gave before was steadily doing well, I was a bit happy.

"And another one. It's this"

This time, she took out a coin. When I took it, its colors and how it feels, it's like a copper coin.

"This is?"

"That will be issued at the same time later. Changing to a new copper coin together with the paper money, recover the copper, change its ratio, and re-issue. To the point that there will be no profit with coppers.....no, thinking about it carefully that it wouldn't be worth it, just to that point, the ratio will be changed"

"I see. But if you do that, weren't you saying the kingdom's prestige or something"

"I thought that the paper money is enough for that"

"Well, I think so too"

While being convinced, I turned around the copper coin for some reason.

I was surprised, because, it was my face in there.

"That is the real reason I came today. Let us use Kakeru's face, I came to request you that"

"Why my face?"

"The thing this time, and about the paper money. It is because Kakeru has the biggest achievement. Kakeru seems to not notice, but I.....no, to us, we were caught by the existing concepts, that we left alone this technology in vain. I asked a lot of people after that, but everyone said trading will be more easier. The counter opinion was only things just like traditions and etiquettes"

"And to Kakeru who noticed that, as reward, you know"

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"Maybe.....is it a nuisance?"

"No, not at all. I was just surprised a little"

I was really surprised.

Because, the people who had their faces on money, they are all great figures or people in power.

Shotoku Taishi, Fukuzawa Yukichi, Noguchi Hideyo, Natsume Soseki.....they were all great figures that left their names in the history.

If it was from an older time, Yamato Takeru no Mikoto, there is also god class.

It means the same with those right......

Somehow, I was so happy, it passed through the ceiling, and I couldn't recognize it as happiness.

"Then it's okay to use it right"

"Un, please use it"

There's no reason to refuse.

After Iris left after her errand was over, I noticed that Miu was looking at me with a very admiring face.

Even up until now, I was being said "Amazing" or being seen with this kind of admiring eyes, but honestly, this time, I was something that I was completely convinced.

CHAPTER 36

THE ONE WHO EXCEEDS A-RANK (SIDE IO)

My name is Io Akos.

I came to the Adventurer Guild that I was affiliated today.

I called the woman at the reception her name, and signed the issued documents.

"Yes, I have accepted it. With this, Io-san's B-Rank promotion procedures have been completed"

"Thank you very much"

Right, I came for the adventurer rank promotion procedure today.

I was C-Rank for a long time, but I was finally able to rise to B-Rank.

I received the certificate for B-Rank.

I want to let Kakeru-san see this.

When I came out of the guild, I was called out to immediately.

"Io-chan, it's been a while"

"Carla-san"

The person who called out to me was an adult woman, Carla-san. She was a person that had taken care of me very much when I was a rookie adventurer.

"You went up to B-Rank huh, congrats"

"Thank you very much"

"I've heard of your achievements recently. Orycuto Killer Io, it had become famous to some you know"

"I-I didn't kill it you know"

"I know. There's no way that monster could be killed right. But it's true that they're saying that you're mining Orycudite every day right. Then, it couldn't be helped being called by that"

I was a little embarrassed.

Orycuto Killer Io.

It's surprising that I would have an amazing second name like that.

"And to you, I have something to request"

"A request, desu ka?"

"Yes, party invitation. Actually, I had accepted a big job, and I wanted a magician for the strategy"

"Was it like that. E∼to....."

I was a little troubled.

I am in a party with Kakeru-san right now. Entering another person's party, I feel bad with Kakeru-san.

That's why, I was thinking of how to refuse desu.

"Please, ne"

Carla-san held my hand.

It was a senpai adventurer that had taken care of me before, it was a little, hard to refuse.

"Only this time, ne"

"If that is so....."

Only once. With that condition, I decided to enter the party.



In the town's outskirts, we gathered with the party members Carla-san was with.

There were two men there.

One was carrying a large sword on his back, and the other had two long swords in his waist.

Both of them were famous adventurers.

"I am Alexis, looking forward on you"

"I'm Harry"

"You know the two of them right"

Carla-san said that naturally.

Of course, I know them. Alexis-san and Harry-san, was an A-Rank adventurer like Carla-san, and they were the ace-like adventurers in Roizen.

I was a little nervous.

"E∼to, Io desu, Io Akos"

"I know you, you killed the Orycuto being sold recently right"

"That's assuring. I'm looking forward"

"Then, I'll start explaining"

The leader, Alexis, lead the team.

"A dragon's child had strayed nearby"

"Dragon desu ka"

I was surprised.

Dragon. That was a legendary creature that even kids know about.

Swords and magic wouldn't pass through its hard scales, in some cases, it was a creature that needs hundreds of men to subjugate.

"It's the child of that. In the information the witnesses and requester gave, it wasn't that large"

"Was that so"

"But, even if it was a child, it's still a dragon. That's why, the request came to us A-Rank adventurers"

"That's alright though. Very recently, you know that accident that a lot of undead monsters appeared right. The magician that was in our party had injuries during that and haven't healed. And when I was thinking what should I do, that was the time I saw Io-chan"

"It was like that desu"

"And then, about how to fight it. You're Orycuto Killer, so you're good at lightning magic right"

"Yes"

"Then basically, Harry and I would with close combat, so you should cover us with magic. Carla is support and recovery as usual"

A simple meeting. An orthodox strategy.

When that was decided, we departed from Roizen.

Along the roads, we walked south.

We walked more than expected. We departed during around lunch, and we arrived around the evening.

"It's here"

Harry-san said.

Footprints on the ground, and claw marks on trees and rocks.

Amid the increasing tension, we encountered the dragon.

It was a dragon with huge wings that was one size larger than the mountain cow that I often meet recently.

It's true that it was small for a dragon, and might be a child.

"Let's go Harry!"

"Yeah!"

Alexis-san and Harry-san jumped out, and slashed at the dragon with their large sword and twin swords.

I chanted magic.

"Kuwa!"

Alexis-san's large sword was parried by the dragon's claws, was hit from the sides by its tail and blown away.

"Ku! Harry!"

"Leave it to me!"

Harry-san covered, and Carla-san ran to Alexis-san.

Receiving recovery magic, Alexis-san stood up.

"Attack boost also"

"There you go"

When Carla-san casted magic, Alexis-san's large sword shone white.

And again, jumps towards the dragon.

Alexis-san and Harry-san were on close combat, and I covered fire with magic.



If one of the two vanguards get injured, he falls back and after receiving Carla-san's recovery, return again.

That combination felt that they were very used to it, and was able to fight equally with the dragon.

As expected of an A-Rank adventurer, Roizen's Ace, I thought.

I thought, but.....this is.....somehow.....

(If it was Kakeru-san.....)

While fighting, what I thought about was "What would've happened if it was Kakerusan".

The combination of Alexis-san and Harry-san is amazing. Large sword and twin swords, both power and speed complements each other, and covers their weakness.

But, both power and speed, Kakeru-san was higher.

He overwhelmed the Orycuto that had abnormal high-speed recovery and hardness with the sword too.

"How is it? The two of them are amazing right"

Carla-san said beside me.

She said it as if to brag, and it felt that she was proud of it.

"Both of their skills are very good, and because they're together for long years they have excellent combination too"

"Yes, if feels like that desu"

I think it was as Carla-san said.

I would have also.....if it was half a month ago, I would've thought of it like that.

But right now, after knowing about Kakeru-san, I felt it wasn't enough.

"Haa~.....haa~....we won"

After the fierce battle, the dragon collapsed and stopped moving.

Carla-san and I were rear guards so we were fine, but Alexis-san and Harry-san were quite tattered.

"Oi, aren't I great"

"Yeah"

"Defeating a dragon with only one party, it's the second time with this huh. Might get Dragon Slayer title sometime soon"

"If that happens we'll get respected"

Alexis-san and Harry-san heightened their tension while talking like that.

They defeated a dragon, so I could understand their feelings.

But, if it was Kakeru-san.

If it was Kakeru-san, even if he defeated a dragon, it would feel just like "It's normal", I thought.

Even when he crushed the Orycuto into pieces, even the time when he defeated the Hell's Emperor, even the time when he claimed a princess his own.

Even if he did something great, Kakeru-san had an "It's normal"-like face every time.

And when Kakeru-san was like that he was super cool.

Doing an amazing thing, and not being proud or modest with it, as if it was normal.

That was very cool, I thought.

"Io-chan also, do your best"

"Yeah. For someone who just went up to B-Rank, you're good"

"If it's okay with you, you want to enter our party?"

"What do you think, Io-chan. I think that with our combination, we can go pretty well"

"I'm sorry"

It was in front of Carla-san who had taken care of me, but I answered promptly.

CHAPTER 37 A SAINT WITH SEVEN HEADS

"Master, it's a visitor desu"

After doing a day's work and relaxing inside the mansion, Miu said something like that.

"A visitor? Who is it?"

"Uhmm, it was a person called, Melissa-san"

"That's a name I heard for the first time. But well, pass her to the drawing-room" "Yes"

BataBata Miu went out. I also left the room I was relaxing in, and went slowly to the drawing-room

[That was a woman's name. The poor victims of your poison fang will increase again huh]

"Don't call it a poison fang. Even like this, I am taking care of them very well. I mean, you're the one who have a poison fang, you're possessing everyone right"

[You're too much of a devil that I couldn't possess though]

"Don't call me a devil, I am at least taking care of my women kindly"

[That kindly thing you say, I can hear it as the same nuance with "loving" them]

While conversing with Eleanor like that, I entered the drawing-room.

There was a few girls inside.

Everyone was wearing the same clothes, three of them with comparatively simple clothes, and was standing just like a bodyguard.

One of them were wearing the same base of clothes with a colorful decoration, and was having a seat.

It was a formation that could easily tell their relationship.

The bodyguard girls were around the middle of their twenties, and the girl who was sitting was a little younger, around the latter of her teens.

The girl who was having a seat stood up, and talked with a very casual tone.

"I'm Melissa"

"Yuuki Kakeru desu. Please have a seat"

I made Melissa sit, and I also took a seat.

"And then, what task have you come for me?"

"That on your waist, it's Demon Sword Eleanor right"

"Un? Yeah, that's right"

What about it, the instance when I was going to ask, I noticed.

Melissa was not that much, but the bodyguard girls' faces were stiff.

They were staring at Eleanor with a very scary face, and gripped their fist very hard.

They're nervous, no, are they scared?

"Is that the real thing?"

"It's a fake"

It was troublesome, so said it carelessly.

There's no merit even if I say it was real, they will just say "There is no way that could be handled by a normal human" or something like that.

That's why I said that, but as soon as Melissa heard that, her face colors changes.

"Why are you lying? The evil that is leaking from that, no matter how you look at it, that's the real thing"

I was a little surprised.

I was surprised when she talked about Eleanor the from the start, but also that she felt something that made her confident that it was the real thing.

I mean.....evil is leaking from this huh.

When fighting, I can intentionally release dark auras, but I thought that it was fine as it was normally.

"Why are you not saying anything?"

"Ahh, no. Rather than that, what will you do if this was the real thing?"

"What will I do?"

Melissa's face became sharper and sharper. Did I say something stupid?

"You can't understand even if you look at our appearance?"

"Appearance"

Is there something with that appearance? It's somehow just like a uniform, other than who is higher in stature, I don't know anything else.

[These girls are of the Solon Church, the world's largest religion. I do not know about the details, but from their attire, they are quite of high stature]

 He \sim . It means, just like a bishop of Christianity or something like that.

I don't know if a bishop has an authority though, only had that kind of image.

But well, I understand why they got angry. Probably, in this world, just seeing their clothes you can tell if they were of Solon Church. Then, it can't be helped getting angry.

"A prominent member of Solon Church came for what?"

"Even though you know that much, are you asking intentionally?"

".....are you going to seal this?"

One thing that I was familiar came up to my mind.

A religion, and a Demon Sword that possesses every wielder without exceptions.

Maybe it was that kind of thing, I thought.

And that was correct.

"That's right. I came to take that"

Came to take this huh.

"I'm sorry but I won't give you this"

"100 coins, in gold"

"Un?"

"I will not say for free, how about we trade if for 100 gold coins?"

Came to slap bills to my face huh.

"I refuse"

".....how much do you want to give that to us?"

"It's not about the amount. Even with how much money you stack, I will not let go of this"

"Then, what do you wish for?"

I didn't answer. Even how much we would negotiate, I knew that we would never be on the same wavelength.

Giving it to her was the premise for Melissa, and I am thinking of not letting go of this whatever happens.

There's no meaning even how much we negotiate.

Melissa and I glared at each other.

"I got it"

Melissa stood up.

"I don't know what you got"

I said that a little subtly.

"I'll come again"

"Again?"

"Un. I will come even how many times it would take until you change your mind. Well, I'm sure that you'll know how scary Eleanor is soon, so I think you'll change your mind though"

Melissa said that and left.



In the evening, I came to pick up Delfina.

In her office inside her merchant company, I talked about what happened with Melissa to Delfina.

"To think that the Saint Melissa would come"

"Saint Melissa"

A somehow cool name came out.

"In rumors.....no, it was the truth for the Solon Church huh, in the war against the infidels, she was captured in the war that had thick signs of defeat, and she should've been condemned to be beheaded in prison, but she endured seven days of being

beheaded, they said"

"Eh!.....she cut for seven days but couldn't be beheaded?"

I couldn't get what she was saying.

"That's right. After that, she was saved by the Solon Church, that "truth" was made to be God's miracle, and she became the embodiment of that miracle, so she had the ordination to be a Saint"

"That's a very unbelievable story, I mean, what the hell is enduring through seven days of being beheaded"

"That's why it was God's miracle, they said desu wa"

"Well, if it was real, it surely is God's miracle though"

".....should I do something about it"

"Something, you say?"

"I will slightly make the rumors of that Eleanor being a fake. This is very simple. Yuukisama, in reality, was wielding that for a long time, and had not being possessed by the Demon Sword. That is the truth, but no one would believe that is the real thing.....just like me"

While saying that, she blushed a little.

Well, Delfina was like that.

"Melissa saw this, and said evil was in it"

"She wouldn't get deceived by rumors huh"

"I think so"

"I understand. Well then, I shall do nothing"

"Yeah"

Starting from the start again.

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"Then, let's go home"
"Yes"
At the same time that Delfina nodded, the room's door was knocked.
"What?"
Her subordinate entered. It was a familiar face, not surprised seeing me.
"A visitor had come to see you"
"A visitor? In this time, without no appointment?"
"That is....."
The subordinate whispered to Delfina's ears.
"It is Saint Melissa-sama"
Even though they were whispers, my ears could properly hear it.
Delfina was surprised, and looked at me quickly.
Un, it's like that right, you'll react like that right.
I was also surprised.
"Yuuki-sama, Melissa-sama who we talked about had come"
"About our relationship?"
"It is not known publicly"
"I see"
".....what should we do"
"I'll leave it to you"
"Yes?"
"Do what you think is best, is easier to understand?"
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"Is it alright?"

"Yeah, I'll leave everything to you"

It would be alright if it was Delfina. She wouldn't do anything unfavorable to me, and she also has the skills.

Rather than someone like me, leaving everything to her would be better.

"I have understood. I will go in the big premise that Eleanor wouldn't be let go"

I nodded. She knows about it after all.

"By the way"

Delfina changed her expression and said. It somehow became a soft expression.

"Un?"

"Saint Melissa, what do you think of her as a woman"

"Woman? U∼n"

It was something I hadn't thought of, so I couldn't answer immediately.



In the same building, I was in another room.

I was eavesdropping in the room next to where Melissa was meeting with Delfina. Delfina prepared for it.

"It has been a while, Melissa your honor. Your success these days are more and more ____"

"Introduction is enough. You, you're acquaintances with that Demon Sword Wielder

right"

Oi oi. she knows about it.

"Well, what are you talking about"

"Don't play dumb. I investigated properly that you had invested in him"

Ahh, that one huh.

"We are a merchant. Investing in people is a very usual thing"

"It's not like I'm blaming you for that. Rather than that, I came today to buy information. Information about the Demon Sword Wielder"

"Asking for that, what do you wish to do?"

"Stop playing dumb. You know that the Demon Sword, just by being wielded by someone, it had created uncountable numbers of tragedies right"

"....yes"

"I don't know why it's alright right now, but who knows when will it explode and tragedies would occur if we don't seal that as soon as possible. That town.....no, at worst, it would be the fall of the Kingdom of Mercouri"

Well, that is.....it almost happened.

The accident of Undead Army being released from Eleanor's control. If I didn't stop it there, Andreu said that Roizen would have been annihilated.

I know that Melissa's worries are not to be unfounded.

But.....I'm surprised.

When I was hearing her conversation with Delfina, it feels like Melissa only came with good intentions.

While thinking about that, I eavesdropped.

Delfina precisely deceived her. She wasn't lying, but she was only saying things that

she had investigated before she really met me, she said the information as if they were rumors to Melissa.

Hunting mountain cows alone, had a mansion, have one beast-man maid, is close to Helen-hime.......

She only said that. It could be heard as if it was very detailed, but all of them aren't much as information.

Things like warp, lending abilities, she didn't say anything about those things at all.

"Thank you, that was of help"

"It was great that I have been of your service"

"Also, can I ask you one thing?"

"Whatever you want"

"Can you gather these equipment here? The soon, the better"

"This is.....will you go to a tree spirit subjugation?"

"There was this little village called Rintos, it looks like they are troubled with abnormal occurrence with tree spirits. I'm going there right now, can you gather them soon? I'll pay"

"Rintos.....that was a small village that has a population of about a hundred people right"

"? Does the population have something to do with that story right now?"

"No. I have understood. I will gather them quickly"

"Please do"

Delfina left that room, I also came out of my room, and called out to Delfina to stop with a small voice.

"What is the matter"

"Can you ask Melissa if she needs a mercenary-like someone. If she needed, can you prepare me black attire that can hide my identity"

".....are you going to help her"

"Yeah, I got interested in a bit"

"I have understood. As you wished"

Delfina entered inside.

"Melissa, your honor. Rather than equipment, how about a person"

"A person?"

"If it was the strongest warrior that we know of, we can prepare it right now"

Delfina was profusely holding me in high regard.

CHAPTER 38

SAINT AND DEMON SWORD WIELDER

I wore the prepared black clothes quickly, and clad my body with a mantle. I hid Eleanor under the mantle, and stuck a normal longsword over that.

It looks suspicious at a glance, but I faced Melissa in clothes that she wouldn't know it was me.

"He is?"

"His name is Kristos"

Delfina introduced.

"He wearing that for a reason, and he cannot talk, but he is the strongest warrior that I know of"

"Fu~n, you really emphasize he is the strongest"

"If you saw how he fights, I am sure that you would be convinced"

"Is that so"

Melissa's reaction was poor.

Well, that's about it, even if she was told world's strongest, there would also be something wrong being convinced with that.

"I got it, I'll borrow him. How about the equipment?"

"It is gathered. To the front"

"Is that so, you have my gratitude. Payment will be——"

"At your convenience"

Delfina said that.

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With Melissa, and ten of her subordinates, we moved together.

Her subordinated was different from what came with her in the mansion, they were all men, but they are wearing the same design of armor that the girls wore at that time. Everyone rode horses and moved through the night roads. As fast as the time that I went to save Helen, we moved swiftly through the roads.

It had become midnight, and we arrived at a small village.

"Saint-sama, this is Rintos"

"Un"

Melissa and her subordinates went off their horses, and I also went off and followed them.

Seeing that I was following, Melissa looked towards me, and said.

"Kristos.....right?"

I nodded without words. She would find out when I let out a voice, so it was set that I couldn't talk.

"It's alright if you follow, but it's okay if you don't do anything"

Following what Melissa said, her subordinates said further.

"As she has said, rather, you should move back and not be on our way"

I somehow felt malice. The men's eyes were cold, and I could clearly feel their hostility. They probably do not like an outsider like me.

But, the ones with hostilities was only the subordinates.

"If it became dangerous, you should just come to my side"

Melissa said.

When she said that, her subordinates looked at me with discontent, and looked at Melissa with eyes of admiration.

[To be kind to an outsider, as expected of Saint-sama. I guess]

Eleanor's voice echoed inside my head.

I agree with her opinion right now, but.....can you just behave right now.

It hadn't been found out right now, but Melissa said in the mansion that "evil" was emitting from Eleanor. If it's possible, it would help if you behave.

[Yes, yes]

Eleanor said with an unwilling tone.

I followed Melissa and the rest from their behind.

The party entered the village, the most splendid house..... we went to the most splendid house in a village with a hundred people.

And the old man who came out from there saw Melissa, and kneeled with emotions.

"Thank you very much, thank you very much. To think that the Saint herself would come. With this, our village is saved"

"The outbreak of tree spirits of Kuroki, where is it?"

"It is at the forest east to our village"

"Only there? Is there anywhere else"

"It is only there. But their numbers.....it's ten times that usually comes out every year"

"I got it. I'll tell you if it has ended, until then, do not come near to the forest"

"Yes!"

Leaving the village chief that was emotional, we went towards the forest east of the village.

I was thinking what was the tree spirits Kuroki, but I knew it as soon as we arrived to the forest.

Immediately in the entrance, one was there.

Transparently glowing, its roots were like feet, and it was like a tree that could move.

Instinctively, I almost said "Disgusting".

Melissa's subordinates using their weapons—wielded the weapons Delfina prepared and attacked the tree spirits.

Behind them, Melissa clasped her hands and made a praying pose.



In this instance, it was the first time I felt her like a "Saint".

Closed her eyes and made a pose, in a different kind of the tree spirit in the forest, she released divine light.

Melissa's subordinates attacked the tree spirit with ten of them.

In the middle of that, one of them received an attack. The tree spirit's branch, the branch that was like an arm, he was hit from the side of his face.

His body glowed, and Melissa's body also glowed.

In Melissa's face, a red, swollen mark appeared.

This is.....don't tell me.

"You shouldn't worry"

Melissa said to me.

"I am more durable than normal people, and I heal fast too"

When she said that, the weal on her face went back.

Without 30 seconds passing, it disappeared as if nothing had happened.

I remembered what I heard from Delfina.

She was executed continuously for seven days, but in the end she was okay, that story.

That was.....maybe, it is real?

When I was thinking of that, Melissa's subordinate received an attack again.

This time the nape of his neck was hit, and blood splurged from Melissa's neck.

That also healed very fast, the wound disappeared, and left her collar red with blood.

That was.....nothing fun to see.

Melissa didn't mind, and her subordinates also didn't mind it. Thinking about her "miracle", it was sure that it's going to be alright, but I don't have a good feeling looking at it.

I mean, what the heck are they doing with the ten of them.

And while I was saying that, this time two of them were thrown back together.

The two of them stood up very quickly and jumped towards the tree spirit, but Melissa hugely lost her balance, and collapsed to her knees.

.....this is, if Melissa wasn't here, they were already on their limits and to the annihilation course? They were able to do about it somehow because Melissa was here.

When I thought of that, I got pissed off. I got pissed off, so drew out the long sword and attacked the tree spirit.

It swung its hands and tried to hit me.

I stopped it with the long sword, and cut it just like that.

What, isn't it this too weak.

I thought that I would have a hard time, but it was far too weaker than I've thought.

It was weak, so just like that, I slashed the tree spirit into two.

The tree spirit that was cut vertically, disappeared as if to evaporate.

"What was that right now"

"With a sword.....did he cut the tree spirit with a long sword without blessings?"

"No way"

Melissa's subordinated were all surprised.

"You.....how did you do that"

Melissa was the same.

How, you say, I just normal slashed at it though.

I mean, I got pissed with these guys playing around.

I know the strategy. I know how it works, with Melissa as the center who receives all damages, the other guys can attack without worry.

The strategy that was made mainly with a special ability, is reasonable.

But, it pisses me off.

I couldn't speak, so I told them using body language.

"You mean.....you'll take care of the rest"

I nodded.

"You bastard! Are you mocking us!"

"Un, that's right", I wanted to say that.

Because of these incompetents, I couldn't watch a woman being wounded.

".....can I ask you of that?"

"Saint-sama?!"

"Let's leave it to him. If it would save the village, it's no different whoever does it"

"Then, please leave it to us"

"Rather than this unknown man, under God's name, we will——"

I charged to the men with the longsword in its sheath. With the sheath, I hit all of them, and made them lose consciousness.

As expected, because Melissa wasn't praying, the damage did not go to her, and everyone lost their consciousness.

It may have been better if I cut them.

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"You....."
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To Melissa who was surprised, with body language again. I told her to wait here.

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".....I got it, please do"
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I jumped inside the forest.

I am so pissed off. I slashed into two the tree spirit that I encountered.

As soon as it came out, I slashed at it.

After slashing around ten of them, I regained my composure a little.

"How many are there left"

[Do you want me to teach you]

"Can you tell?"

[Draw me]

I drew her as Eleanor had told me. And then, inside my head, somehow, I could faintly feel the location of the tree spirits.

There was a map inside of my head, and it feels like a dot was notifying.

"This is amazing"

[Leave it to me when it comes to spirits]

"That was right. Yosh, let's hurry up and annihilate them"

[Umu]

I borrowed Eleanor's senses, ran through the nearest route in the forest, and slashed them one next to the other.

I slashed the last one, and took a breath.

"There's nothing left huh" [If it was a spirit, yes] "Yosh, then let's go back" [They might have been awaken] "If those guys were still nagging a lot and make Melissa troubled, I'll cut them this time" [You are going to end them before she prayed huh] "I plan to" I nodded, looked behind, and tried to go the entrance of the forest. I was surprised, and stopped on my feet. "You.....you were the Demon Sword Wielder?" Melissa was there. "Why.....?" "I came because it was dangerous....." This is bad, she saw me. It was a situation that I couldn't say excuses. I was still wearing the black clothes and the mantle, but Eleanor was too distinctive. I had decided my will, at that time. "Thank you" "Eh?!" I heard a line that made me doubt my ears. "Thank you, for saving me"

Saint Melissa, was bowing her head towards me.

CHAPTER 39

EXTERMINATING LOCUSTS WITH A SWORD

Because there was no more meaning in hiding it, I took the mantle and showed my face.

"For the meantime, there shouldn't be any tree spirit left. You know that Eleanor controls the undead right. She's telling that there wasn't anything like that left" "Is that so....."

"If you can't believe me, then you can look around and confirm it"

".....why did you help me?"

The topic changed.

"Because I wanted to do it"

If I say a little more, it was because she was a woman, but I didn't tell her that part.

"That.....is it really Demon Sword Eleanor?"

"You'll know with its "evil" right"

"Because you're not being possessed, I lost my confidence"

That reason again huh. I mean, this, how many people did you possess.

[Emperor, King, Hero, Brave, humans that were called by that, about 17]

Numbers more than expected came out.

Doing it that much, well, yeah, you'd be famous.

"You are.....why are you not being possessed by Eleanor?"

"Even if you ask me why, well, normally"

"Normally"

"It's certain that I can't be possessed by this, so can you leave me alone. In another meaning, when I am wielding it, it's just the same with sealing it"

I mean, after what happened with Marie, I was planning to do that.

Marie, and Delfina.

Looking how the two was possessed by this, I was sure that it would be better if I wield it.

"In the first place, why are you going out of your way to come and seal this? This thing about the village too. You're an amazing Saint or a religion right? Normally, in some church? or somewhere, you should be just be watching from the back right"

".....I have a dream"

"A dream?"

"I want to stop people like me being born. With the reason of being poor, not being able to be saved by anyone, I want to stop people being born unable to ask for help just because they were poor"

".....and it's that village huh"

A village with only a hundred people.

A village that would not be able to prepare the payment of the equipment that Melissa asked of Delfina even if they stand on their hands.

Charitable work.....if it wasn't a Saint like Melissa, they would've been left alone.

"Un"

"What about Eleanor?"

"If it would be subjugation of the Demon Sword, an army, or high-level adventures needs to be asked. If it became like that——"

"Ah~, it would really cost money"

I remembered the reward when I defeated Sandros. If it was Eleanor who was its boss, more rewards——it would cost a lot more money.

"I see now"

Somehow, I understood Melissa's circumstances.

With a few words said, something like a self-sacrificial Saint huh.

And, to Melissa who wants to do that, I was pissed more and more by the Solon Church that only makes her accompany men who were small fries.

"Saint-sama!"

I heard voice and footsteps from far away.

Speak of the devil or whatever. It looks like Melissa's subordinated awakened, and chased after her.

I wore the mantle to hide my face, and returned to the Mysterious Swordsman Kristos. Melissa who saw that, made a somehow complicated face.

"You were here"

"We have been searching for you"

"That is dangerous, Saint-sama, going deep to the forest alone"

What the hell are you talking about you incompetents. It wouldn't have a difference on its danger whether you guys are around or not.

You took too much time with the ten of you with only one tree spirit.

[Crouch down!]

"<u>--!!</u>"

A voice suddenly echoed in my head. Eleanor who hardly lets out a loud voice, shouted. I instinctively crouched down. Something passed on the top of my head very fast as if it was cutting it air.

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"Guwa————!!"
"——Gofu!!"
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Screams continuously.

The thing that I dodged, it attacked Melissa's subordinates in high-speed one next to the other, the men collapsed one by one.

If I look closely, it had an appearance of a pill bug that was as big as a softball, and the place where it hit the men had wounds as if it was chunked away.

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"Graf! Razani! Everyone!?"

"Get down!"
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I pushed down Melissa who was almost got by the pill bug.

The pill bug that deviated hit the tree ahead of it, and gouged it.

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"What a ridiculous insect"

"That is Caulio.....why in this season"

".....another abnormal growth huh"
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I stood up, and made a stance with Eleanor.

The pill bugs that flew to me——I slashed the Caulio or whatever into two.

It felt like I cut through steel. It fell to the ground and convulsed, and stopped moving.

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"Fun, you small fry"
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[&]quot;Run away, quickly!"

"Run away? Why, it's already——"

"Caulio has characteristics to follow the body liquid of its allies. If it was killed carelessly——ahh!"

I heard a sound from far away.

Just like a bee, it was the sound of a swarm of insects coming.

If I looked at it closely, the same thing with the one that I cut was flying. There was surely more than a hundred of them.

Those were flying without orders.

The forest——it was eaten.

The trees they tackled was ripped apart, and before that fell down it was tackled again, and was devoured without leaving any traces.

The route that they passed through became barren.

"A group of them came huh"

"That is very dangerous. It is being said that a village that was attacked by a swarm of Caulio would not leave even one grass"

"Something like locusts huh.....no, the upgraded version of that huh"

"Leave me alone, you should hurry up and run away"

"Leave you?"

"I will not die.....un, I cannot die! So please, hurry"

A Saint that didn't die even after seven days of execution.

Because she wouldn't die, run away and leave her.

I see, that's reasonable. I don't know how it works, but Melissa probably have the confidence that she wouldn't die from those ferocious things——she is sure about it.

That made me, pissed off.

I made a stance with Eleanor, and stood in front of Melissa.

"What are you!"

"It's easy to run away"

"Then——"

"It's pissing me off running away right now"

"Ehh? Don't say things like you're pissed off and hurry"

Melissa was saying something, but I ignored her.

I made a stance with Eleanor, and focused.

The blade was clad with a dark aura.

"Let's go, Eleanor"

[This is one debt again you know right]

I counterattacked the swarm of pill bugs head on.

It felt like a hundred pitchers pitched a ball towards me at once.

Their speed probably easily exceeds 100km/s, and that came more than a hundred at once.

I swung Eleanor, and slashed at them one next to the other.

The ones that passed through and made a turn, I turned back to Melissa and slashed them as if to cover her.

I slash, slashes, and slashed continuously. Indiscriminately, I slashed them into two. Without missing even one, I slashed them into two.



Because the insects were moving fast, the result was also fast.

Without taking three minutes, the ground was filled with the carcasses of the pill bugs.

"Am I.....seeing a dream?"

"Un?"

"That Caulio that is dangerous even with only one.....if they become a swarm, even armies avoid them, that Caulio....."

It's not something that much though.

"--ah!"

Melissa, as if to remember, she ran towards her subordinates.

She bent her knees beside the men that had collapsed, and checked if they were breathing.

".....how is it?"

"Everyone's still breathing.....but if they're left like this. It's far away from the village and towns from here.....what should we do"

Melissa made a very troubled face.

At a loss, she looked like she might start to cry anytime.

I remembered what happened until now, Melissa, to her bones, was a woman who really hates someone to get hurt.

"Ha~.....it couldn't be helped"

"Eh?"

I'm not so into it, but I warped with Melissa and the men who collapsed to the town. For the mean time, every one of those guys had escaped death.

CHAPTER 40 YOU'RE ALSO WEAK YOU KNOW

I left the building together with Melissa. Her subordinates were taking treatment altogether, so they wouldn't die, but they were told that they wouldn't be able to move for a while.

for a while.
And because of that, Melissa was making a troubled face.
"What is it"
"U∼un, it's nothing"
"Is that the face with nothing happened. What is it, tell me"
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Melissa's face wasn't the "It's hard to tell" face, but the "I'm troubled" face.
Seeing her face, I knew it. By remembering what happened until now, I really knew it.
"You, are still planning to go save someone huh"
"Un"
With her troubled face, she answered promptly.
I was astonished.
"You, how many requests do you have"
"Uhmm"
"You can stop"
When Melissa started to count by folding her fingers. I immediately stonned her

When Melissa started to count by folding her fingers, I immediately stopped her. You're having so much that you'd count like that huh.

".....where is the next one" "Eh?" "Where are you going next? You're troubled because your subordinates had collapsed right, I'll go and do it with you" "But.....doing something like that" "Enough of that" I made her follow me forcibly. & \$ ∞ Because there's a wolf pack that was having a rampage at a town called Oryun, we immediately went there on horseback with a fast horse to exterminate it. Letos and Ryukai And to Euboi "Ugaa! How many is there!" "There's still....." "You don't need to count with your fingers" "I answered because you asked....." I'm not asking how many there is but I'm just so irritated. Following Melissa to resolve the problems here and there, there is one thing that I found out. It was that she was really, doing service for no cost.

Resolving what was being asked, almost all of them ends just by being said: "Thank

You".

Well, I know that most of them are poor villages that there isn't much of a reward to be expected, but this is, really terrible.

And if I were to say which one was the most terrible.

"Uhmm.....next is....."

After resolving the request in Euboi, Melissa took a paper from around her waist, and confirms the contents that were written. That's probably the contents of the request.

Confirming that, Melissa's complexion worsened.

Because I was with her, she didn't have any injuries, but even I couldn't cover up her fatigue.

Fatigue was visible in Melissa's face because we moved here and there to resolve difficult problems.

"You should rest already"

"But, there's still——"

"AHH! Whatever!"

I took Melissa with me, and warped to the bedroom of my mansion.

"W-Where is this"

"Inside my mansion, and inside my room"

"Eh!....."

Melissa looked at me and the bed alternately, and her complexion changed for a different meaning.

"That's not it! You, sleep for the mean time!"

"Eh! But"

"I don't need buts, shut up and sleep"

I said that, and pushed Melissa to the top of the bed.

She tried to raise her body but I pushed her down, she tried to raise her body again but I pushed her down.

After repeating that for several times, Melissa wasn't able to wake up any longer.

"For...god's sake. This isn't.....the time.....doing.....this"

While being laid down on the top of the bed, Melissa's eyelids gradually closed.

She started to sound asleep instantly.

Even though I wasn't doing anything, she immediately fell asleep.

"Look, I told you, weren't you tired"

I was astonished.

Melissa's waist, uniform—vestment? I groped within them.

[Are you going to attack her asleep? As expected of a devil huh]

"That's not it! ——here it is"

I found the paper that Melissa was confirming earlier.

Written in small letters, the paper was filled with requests.

I put that in my pocket, and shouted with a loud voice.

"Nana? Is Nana here?"

Nana appeared immediately.

"Is there something you need for my, Aruji"

"I'll count on you to keep an eye on her. Don't let her go out of the bed whatever happens, let her sleep anyways"

"I understand" I left Nana beside the sleeping Melissa and left the room. I thought of clearing it up from where I could clear it. & \$ € ".....A, re" Melissa slowly woke up. I, who was reading a book on the side of the window, stood up and went towards her. "You woke up" "This is.....ah!" She remembered what happened in the instance before, and raised her body very quickly. Her complexion has become much better, and there's also sharpness in her movements. I didn't stop her from waking up. "How long have I, have been asleep?" "A whole day" "Eh!?" "You we're asleep for a whole day. You, you were so tired" "A whole day, you say.....no way" Melissa's complexion changed in a different meaning. She became paler and paler. "The requests.....the people waiting for help"

".....here you go"

I threw the paper in front of her.

It was the paper where request was written, and I crossed on top of that.

The request written, I made a cross on most of it.

"This is.....ah!"

"I did everything"

"Everything?"

"I was able to clear it up within a day"

"J-Just wait a minute, within that, there's gathering ingredients for medicine. A lot of Arcudo is needed to be defeated, it's the one that I postponed because I was waiting for the support of the punitive corps to arrive"

"That huh, that's really troublesome you know. The part that could be used as medicine was the inverted heart that grew on the right side, I finally found it after defeating ten of them. It's one level stronger than the mountain cows so it was simply troublesome"

"Simply, you say.....that isn't, something done alone....."

"I can't believe it", that was written on Melissa's face.

She was looking at my face and the paper on her hands alternatively.

"This, was for about a week. Alone.....in one day?"

Melissa was mumbling something.

It's about her, she probably had planned to do that two weeks nonstop.

"If you can't believe it, you should just confirm it later all you want. I told them my name and resolved all of it appropriately so there shouldn't be a problem"

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"Uhm....."
"Un?"
"Thank you. Doing something like this for me, I don't know how to thank you"
"I don't need that"
"But still.....thank you"
She stood up from the bed, stood firmly, then bows her head.
*Basa!*
Something fell from around Melissa's waist.
That, fluttering in the air while falling, was a paper that was similar to the one I passed
her earlier.
Melissa was in a hurry trying to pick that up, but I picked it up as if to steal it.
With a glance, I looked at Melissa with cold eyes.
"You.....there's still some"
".....un"
"Are you planning to die"
"Uhm, I will not die, so"
"UGAA-!!"
I was so irritated, for some reason, I was super irritated.
"Is this all, is there something left?"
"Eh!"
"I'm asking if this was all the request that you have"
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"Un, that's all"

"I got it. I'll go and clear it up"

"But, those people are asking for my help——"

"Shut up"

I flicked a finger to Melissa's forehead. She lost her balance and dropped from her hips to the top of the bed.

"I'll also do this, so you should rest a little bit more. I mean, you're weaker than me, receive my help honestly"

Melissa widened her eyes so much, and stared intently at me.

And finally looking down, "Un" she nodded.

Ha~......

Because I was so irritated, didn't notice that Melissa's face was blushing.

I gripped the paper, and left the mansion.

CHAPTER 41 DEMON SWORD LITTLE GIRL

Night.

Helen, Delfina, Io, Nana, and Miu was strained.

Everyone in my harem was like thick and milky, because I loved them until even the sheets were drenched.....but it wasn't enough at all.

The count is around a hundred, but it's not enough at all.

I'm more hungry than usual.

I know the cause.

Because I used my powers to go here and there to help Melissa, it's the recoil from that.

The result of being tired physically, and getting irritated because of the strong self-sacrifice of Melissa, it got stronger.

It's the type of libido strengthens when irritated.

The result, regardless of it unable to be suppressed usually, it felt that it was more impossible to be suppressed today.

[If you do more than this, they are going to be crushed]

"I know that"

I know all about that, and I really know that everyone's stamina are at their limits. I cannot let them push them more than this.

[How about you release it through a different thing?]

"A different thing?"

[Release it by moving your body. Hitting something or running with all your strength, something like that]

I see, release it through sports huh.

Maybe that is also one kind of way.

It is boring, but I decided to go with that.

After covering everyone with sheets, I held Eleanor and warped.

Where I came to, was a rocky mountain. After walking for a while, I saw the Orycuto.

The rock monster saw me, and subtly backs off.

[It looks like it's afraid]

My bad, but I'm not going to let you run away.

I made a stance with Eleanor, and slashed at the Orycuto.

I smashed it into pieces.

As soon as it recovers, I smashed it into pieces. Not allowing it to run away other than the first time, I continued to smash it into pieces.

The heat of my body, my quell.

Through Eleanor, I hit it towards the Orycuto.

[n.....]

"What is it"

[Somehow.....it's strange]

"Strange?"

[Powers that are different than usual is flowing into me. It is somehow hot]

"Is it something bad?"

[There is no problem, but.....]

"Then, bear with it"

I said that, and swung Eleanor continuously.

At the middle of doing that, a strange voice was released in my head, but I ignored it. Anyways, I released it continuously towards the Orycuto.

It was about five hours in time. After smashing it continuously until dawn, I finally suppressed it, and warped to the mansion, entered an empty room, and collapsed into a bed just like that.

Probably because I was able to release all of it, I was able to sleep comfortably.



When I woke up, a little girl was mounting me.

It was a cute little girl who was about in her kindergarden, was mounting me who was sleeping faced up, staring at me very intently.

I thought it was a dream.

But I can feel her weight properly, and the feeling of the bed that I was lying on was real.

"You, who are you?"

"Otou-san"

"My bad, but I can't see you as a man"

"Not that"

The little girl pointed at me.

"Otou-san. My, Otou-san"

"Are you talking about me?"

"Un!"

There's no way, I thought.

It's true that I did things that can make a child, the number of times I did it was ridiculous, but it hasn't been a month since I started doing that.

There's no way that a child could be made, in addition to that, the one in front of me looks about 3-4 years old, a little girl who's around her kindergarden.

There's no doubting it's not my child.

But she's cute, somehow, she's super cute.

She was so cute that I'd probably look back at her if I saw her inside the town.

It's probably a game, so I thought I could go with it for a bit.

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"Your name is?"
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"I still don't have, name me, Otou-san"

"I see. And, where did you come from?"

"Inside Otou-san"

What an explicit way of saying it, well that's probably true though.

"Then, where is your Okaa-san?"

"There"

The little girl pointed straightly. There was no one in the direction she pointed to.

Specifically, there is no human, is more correct.

There was, Demon Sword Eleanor.

The little girl is pointing straightly at Eleanor.

"Okaa-san"

"That's a sword you know"

"Un, I know. Because, I'm also a sword"

"Eh?"

Not minding me who was surprised, the little girl went off me.

And "nnnnnn" made a pose as if to charge powers by gripping her fists.

Soon after, a change happened.

The little girl's body was enveloped by a dark light.

When the light dissipates, a short sword was there.

If I said it with a few words, it's the miniature version of Eleanor.

It was as if Eleanor was minimized!

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The little girl who returned to her human form, and Eleanor.

The two people.....both of them aren't human though.....in front of them, I had my hands in my head.

"It means, I am the father, and Eleanor is the mother huh"
"Un!"

The little girl nodded greatly. Damn it, so cute.

".....I will accept that Eleanor is the mother. I mean, it is more difficult saying that's not true after seeing that"

After all, her appearance was almost the same in a miniature size.

"And, what happened with this" [H-How will I know!]

Eleanor was extremely panicking. It means it was also unexpected for her.

[I-In the first place, something for a child to be born. I had never done any——ah!]

Her words stopped. It looks like she had something on her mind.

[Last night's]

"Last night's"

[Because you used me to release it terribly......]

"It was with that huh. But, I had been fighting using you ever since right? Why is it right now"

[Is yesterday special, or the stacking up to now]

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I couldn't say anything.

Because if I were told one of them is, I would probably believe it.

It's true that I released my heightened libido and anger yesterday, and thinking that Eleanor isn't human, and saying it stacked up until now, I would probably think of it as it is.

"Is it really true?"

"Otou-san.....do you hate me?"



She asked me while glancing upwards.

I was knocked out.

I came in the afternoon in the rocky mountains.

The Orycuto that I saw immediately backed off with a faster speed than yesterday.

I feel bad, two days consecutively, but.....please be the sacrifice for the mother and daughter get-together.

"Then, let's go"

[U-Umu]

[Un!]

The voice in my head became a stereo.

Eleanor in one hand, and daughter in the other.

I'm holding them with both of my hands.

Eleanor in my right hand, and daughter in the left.

Their sizes were different, so it feels like dual wielding with a Kodachi.

I caught up with the Orycuto, and slashed at it.

It was no doubt Eleanor's daughter, and.....no doubt my daughter.

The feeling of cutting Orycuto was almost the same with Eleanor, and she fits my hand more than Eleanor.

It wasn't reason, I don't know how this happened.

But, I am now sure that she is my daughter.

There wasn't a need to do more than this, so I warped back to the mansion's garden.

And there, daughter returns in her human form.

"How was it, Otou-san"

"Yeah, I'll believe you. You are my daughter"

I dropped on my knees, and patted her head. "Ehehe" daughter laughed sweetly. Damn it, she's super cute, isn't she number one in the world? I continued to pat daughter. "Otou-san" "Un, what is it?" Even I knew myself that my voice was kind. "And Okaa-san also" [W-What is it?] Eleanor seemed like she was still confused. "My name, I'll be happy if you name me" "That's right!" [Umu] I looked at Eleanor. If I'm correct, she said earlier that she still don't have a name. I know it, it's my daughter, I have to give her a proper name. I looked at Eleanor, and said. "Hikari" "Hikari?" "Right, Hikari" Eleanor, and Hikari. That name came out instantly.

"Is that okay"

I asked Eleanor.

[......I have no objections]

It was a more obedient voice than usual.

Daughter repeatedly mumbled that name, and finally, she nodded.

"Un! I am Hikari!"

That smile.....damn it, it was number one in the world after all.

CHAPTER 42 YUUKI HIKARI, O-YEAR-OLD DESU

"Yuuki Hikari, 0-year-old desu" Morning, at the mansion's dining room. Towards Delfina, Nana, and Miu, Hikari greeted politely. Woke up in the morning, there was suddenly a little girl, so everyone was surprised. "Yuuki.....it means, Yuuki-sama?" Delfina looked at me. "Don't tell me", she had that face. "Yeah, she's my daughter" Everyone said "Ehhhhh" at the same time. "D-Did you have a daughter?" "I had, since yesterday" "Eh?" "I see, an adopted daughter huh" Nana said composedly. Delfina and Miu were convinced. Well, saying that a child this big, "I had, since yesterday", anybody would reach that conclusion. "Well then, Master, uhmm.....who is Hikari-sama's, Okaa-sama is?"

"This"

I raised Eleanor up.

"Eh?"

"This is the mother"

Everyone made a weird face. It was the face, "What the heck is he saying".

And Delfina was even looking at me with eyes of pity.

"Hikari"

"What is it. Otou-san"

"Can you change to a sword"

"Un, I got it!"

Hikari changed into her Demon Sword form as she was told.

Seeing the little girl change into a Demon Sword in front of them, the three was more and more surprised.

I aligned Eleanor by her side.

Demon Swords with the same appearance, two that had a difference in size.

"Do you believe me with this?"

I asked, but nobody answered, they were still caught unaware.

After a while, Delfina finally regained herself first.

"T-This was too unexpected. I have thought that you were someone who will do something great one day, but to think of impregnating a Demon Sword......that's too unpredictable"

I agree with that.

I didn't think that I would impregnate Eleanor.

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"As expected of Master desu"

"Umu, that is why you are worthy of my Aruji"

"By the way, is Hikari-sama also, only Yuuki-sama can wield"

"Ahh, I wonder. You want to try?"

"Uhm....."
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Delfina who had a bitter experience hesitated.

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"I am with you"
".....well then"
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Probably remembering something, she reached out to Hikari with a blushed face. Cautiously touched with her hand, and tried to raise her hand, but——

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"I-It's heavy desu wa"

"Heavy?"

"Yes, I cannot even raise it a little"

"I will try to do it"
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Nana said that, and tried to raise her up the same way.

But, it didn't even flinch. Hikari, as if she was rooted to the ground, wouldn't even flinch.

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"It's too heavy, what's with this weight" "Really?"
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I held Hikari instead. It's not like it's heavy or anything, it has the same weight as it looked.

"It looks like only Yuuki-sama could wield her"

"It seems to be that way"

Well, that is good just like that. I'm not thinking of letting Hikari be touched by anybody else in the first place, it's convenient that she couldn't be really wielded.

Hikari returned to her human form.

And once again, "Please take care of me", lovely greeted.

The three who saw that.

"Yuuki-sama, can I borrow Hikari-sama later for a while. Since she is also a girl, I will have her measurements and prepare cute clothes for her"

"I-I can make pastry. Hikari-sama, do you like sweets?"

"I will.....mumu, I'm troubled, what do I need to do to make a child happy?"

The three were planning on spoiling Hikari.

Looking from the side, it was clear that the end of their eyes was dropping.

Well, I know that feeling.

Because Hikari is the cutest in the world.



Lottery place.

Eleanor was sitting in the corner of the room hugging her knees. She was mumbling while she was hugging her knees.

"I was forcefully impregnated.....a mother.....a mother in this age....."

Whose age are you saying! You, you told me that you have lived a few hundred years the first time we met.

Isn't it super late childbearing, in your case.

Beside that Eleanor who was mumbling, Hikari was standing timidly, as to see how

she was.

What is it, when I was thinking of that.

"Uhm.....Okaa-san, desu ka?"

In an instant, "n?" I thought, but when I think about it, I remembered that it was the first time Hikari saw Eleanor's human version.

Eleanor raised her head, she had a very complicated expression.

"Hikari. Let Okaa-san hug you"

"--un!"

Receiving my guarantee, Hikari hugged Eleanor happily.

Honestly, their height was the same of two little girls, and rather than mother and daughter, I could only see them as friends in kindergarden.

"W-What are you doing"

"Okaa-san"

"Uu....."

Being hugged, and called, Eleanor was stuck on her words.

It felt that she was troubled, but it doesn't seem she didn't like it.

"You are really mother and daughter, huh, you really look alike"

"Un! I look like Okaa-san!"

Hikari smiled innocently.

And being moved by that, Eleanor's face gradually softens.

When she patted Hikari who was hugging her, Hikari hugged stronger. And Hikari made her mother spoil her. Because of that, Eleanor patted Hikari's head with a

pleasant expression.

Circulation of happiness. Such words came to my mind.

"Uhm....."

The staff let out an astonished voice. Un, she was here all the time.

"I don't know what is happening, but please do not come with an unexpected happy family circle"

"Sorry, sorry"

I lightly apologized, and went towards the table.

"Yes, then, from the start again. Welcome, Customer-san"

"By the way I'd like to ask, isn't the lottery machine became two"

I asked the staff who returned back to usual. The lottery machine on the top of the table became two.

The one was the not limited lottery anymore, the lottery machine that I drew from a few times.

The other one was a lottery machine that felt more modest.

"Yes, we started a new lottery"

Just like a chinese cold noodle huh.

"Is this also limited lottery?"

"No, this is continuous. It's just, there is a different way to draw it"

"Un?"

"Once for every day, you will be given the right to draw every time you come here. You

can use that immediately to draw, and you can also stack them to draw all at once"

"Do I only need to come here"

"Yes. But, Customer-san himself needs to come here"

Something like a login bonus huh.

"And, what are the prizes? Looks like they aren't written anywhere"

"This one can be drawn for free, so it would be only humble items. They're not written means, please look forward drawing them"

"I see"

"By the way, when you get a miss with this one, it would be one silver for participation prize"

"It's really a miss huh"

"Well then, what will you do? The count right now is one time, will you draw?"

"Let me think"

I thought for a while

It's not bad drawing once, but stacking them and drawing at once is also good. Well, what should I do.

"Otou-san, what's this?"

Hikari came with cute steps.

"Un? This is what you call a lottery. When you turn this, you can receive what comes out as a present"

"*Pu!*"

Eleanor who was behind laughed out.

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"What is it"
"Present, you say.....you changed how to say it finely"
"Mu!"
"You also called me earlier, as Okaa-san"
Being pointed that out, I got a little embarrassed.
I wonder why, the words I use to talk to Hikari, changes depending from its point of
view.
I wonder what this is.
Hikari saw the lottery machine for a bit, and asked.
"Is that so~. .....if I turn it, can I get a prize?"
"Un? Yeah, of course you can"
It's my right to use it, but I had confirmed that I can get what comes out before when
I tried it with Eleanor.
Because Hikari was making an excited face, I asked her.
"You want to try?"
"Un!"
"I see. Then, only once. Is it okay"
I asked the staff to make sure. And then, Hikari bows her head to the staff.
"Onee-chan, please"
"___"
The staff groaned for a bit. What is it?
".....cute"
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"Eh?"

"Ha! I-It's nothing"

The staff tried to hide it in a hurry. Why did she try to hide it? It's alright even if she thought she was cute.

While wondering why was that, I left that for a while and explained the lottery to Hikari.

"You hold this handle and turn it once. And, the one that comes out......everything's a hit other than the black one"

"Is the black one not good?"

"It's because it's a miss. It's a shabby one"

"I see.....un! I'll do my best to not let it go black"

She made a small guts pose, it's cute.

"P-Please wait a minute"

The staff stopped before we turned it.

"It's the first time right, lottery. Uhm, for that girl"

"Well yeah"

She was only born yesterday so everything for her is the first time.

"T-Then.....I will especially make it a hit only once for the first time. To something other than a miss"

"Oi oi, is it alright doing that"

"It's only once for the first time, it's not like it would be jackpot for sure"

Well, it's true that there are a lot of things like that.

It a usual pattern that happens in a lot of places making the first draw only a hit.

It was a usual pattern, but. Un, well.

I looked at the staff, and then said to Hikari.

"Hikari. Say thanks to Onee-chan"

"Thank you, Onee-chan"

Hikari made a face that didn't understand anything, but she cutely bowed her head and said thanks.

And again, she mumbled "cute", but I ignored it this time.

Hikari held the handle and turned it with an excited face.

I also became excited.

The first draw that is sure to hit, I wonder what will come out.

The lottery machine turned once, and *GaranGaran* the handle bell rung.



Grasslands in the afternoon, the three of us, Eleanor, Hikari(human form) and I.

In Hikari's hands, a miniature size house, it was like a toy house.

She left that in the ground and said to me.

"Otou-san, I left it"

"Yeah"

I nodded, and had strong thoughts to use the magic, Cottage, that we got from the lottery.

And then, the toy house gradually got bigger, and became to a size that people can enter normally.

"Wa~, Amazing~!"

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"It really is amazing"
[Can you return it back]
"I'll try"
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I returned the magic cottage, and picked it up.

I left that, and made it bigger.

"It's as I wanted huh"

[Is that not a very useful tool]

"Ne~ne~, Otou-san, can we enter inside?"

"Yeah"

I entered inside with Hikari.

Inside the cottage, was very empty.

The voice also really echoes, it felt like an apartment before moving in.

"Wa~, it's wide inside~"

Hikari horsed around, and laid around.

"If I'm correct, she was saying that special furniture, and the room can also be expanded through lottery"

[She said that. Normal furniture can be placed inside, but she also said that it would be destroyed when returned back. But she also said that the clothes and accessories would be alright when it was kept inside the drawers]

"And that drawer is also from the lottery huh"

It was not flashy, but a convenient, and fun item.

Draw the lots, gradually gather the furniture, and expand the space.

Un, it's good.

The things that I can look forward from the lottery had increased.

CHAPTER 43 RED-COLORED GIANT DRAGON

Night, in the bedroom. The door opened when I was sleeping alone, and a girl entered. It was footsteps that I was familiar. When I opened my eyes, there was Helen as I expected. Helen who was wearing thin layers of clothes stopped in front of the bed, and looked at me intently. "Kakeru-sama" "n, what is it" "I came to have your mercy" Mercy—she means she wanted to be loved, huh. "I also want to have a child like Hikari-sama. I want to have Kakeru-sama's child" "My child?" "Yes, a very lovely child like Hikari-sama" Helen nodded clearly. "Please" Helen was begging. It might be the first time that I saw Helen this serious. "I got it"

There's no reason to refuse, the way she asked for it was cute.

That's why, the whole night, I loved Helen thoroughly.

It was already morning, Helen who was exhausted on the top of the bed said.

"If.....the child with Kakeru-sama was born safely"

"Safely?"

"Together.....can we live together here as parents"

An instant, I was surprised, and laughed after.

Helen who was asking for something that natural was very cute.

That's why, although the night has ended, I loved her more.



Morning, after finishing the daily work, I was walking around the town of Roizen carelessly.

It was a walk around here and there randomly.

Suddenly, I saw that there's a commotion in the town's entrance.

Thinking what it was, I approached, and I saw a tattered soldier who had a lot of wounds.

The townspeople were looking at that like a crowd.

The town's soldier came, and raised the wounded soldier's body.

"What is it, what happened"

"Re.....Red Dragon appeared"

"What?!"

The soldier raised his voice. The noise of the townspeople had increased.

Disturbed, frightened, and when I look closely there were some people who ran away in panic.

Those people were shouting while running"Red Dragon appeared __, and spreads the fear further.

"Hurry up.....and run....."

Leaving that as his last words, the soldier died.

Lanmari Merchant Company, Delfina's mansion.

I decided to ask her what I didn't understand for the meantime and warped there, and told her happened earlier as it was.

Delfina's face colors changed. Silent, but she made a grave face.

"Please wait for a while"

She said that and let me wait, Delfina called her subordinate. She whispered to the man who entered.

The subordinate changed his face colors, and jumped out of the room.

It was like this since earlier. The townspeople, Delfina, and even the subordinate she whispered to.

Everybody, they were reacting the the term "Red Dragon].

"What the heck is a Red Dragon"

"It is a dragon.....a kind of dragon that has its days numbered"

She means, about to die? Then, why are everybody that frightened?

Guessing my question, Delfina started to explain in a silent tone.

"The ones that are called dragons, all have tremendous powers, they are living beings that have high intelligence. In both, they have far more than humans have"

Is that clear? Delfina made a face of that.

If it was dragons, then surely that would probably be true, I nodded in return.

"Proud, they are acting with the pride that they have as a dragon. From the time they were born, until they die"

".....and?"

"There are few ends for those dragons. The stronger, the higher the intelligence the dragons have, at the time that their life was about to end, their power.....and their body size itself, explosively increases. You can think of it as the candle's last sparkle"

"They get stronger"

"Yes. And this is the important part, dragons that become like that have their intelligence and reason disappear"

"Mu!"

I somehow found how it was.

"Their powers devour their intelligence, and become something that only spreads out violence. From the color that is emitted from its body at when they became like that, they are called Red Dragons"

"The dragons that are already strong, are running wildly with ten times the power huh. "Well, that figures out why everyone is scared"

"Dragons that have that kind of possibility have high intelligence basically, and they also have a huge pride, so they would either have their end in some place no one would know, or take care of themselves. Because they are thinking that, they did not want to

see their pathetic appearance, and they do not want to show it to anyone else"
"I see"
"But rarely, there are ones who clings to their life"
"Those dragons become epitomes of destruction——Red Dragons, it was like that huh"
"It is as how you have said"
I figured out most of the story.
"I made someone to run and check it earlier. Soon, I think that we would know the current situation"
"Current situation?"
"It is impossible that wouldn't be any casualties when a Red Dragon appears. That is proven by histo——"
When Delfina was only starting to say that, her subordinate earlier ran inside.
Throwing away even the leeway of knocking, he came back only to report immediately
"Delfina-sama!"
"Un"
"Rodos is"
"Rodos?"
I asked Delfina.
"It is a commercial city that has approximately ten million in population desu wa"
It's quite a huge city huh. I mean, isn't that the largest one since I came to this world?

"What is it with Rodos" "It was devastated" "Devastated?" I mumbled. Delfina's subordinate said. "It was devastated, and the city itself was mostly in ruins" "What happened to the residents?" "They knew the information that the Red Dragon attacked a different town beforehand, so almost every resident has escaped. But, their town is....." "An abandoned town and Red Dragon. That would probably take 10 years to restore" Delfina said. The casualties were that huge huh. "What about the subjugation?" "Helen-denka and General Gigis leading a few thousands of soldiers, are on their way. And just in case, they have sent rescue request to the adventurer guild and the Undying Saint Melissa" "As expected of Helen-denka, her decision is quick" That's too much for one dragon. At this time, I was thinking of it like that. 200€ "Helen-denka!"

"The main troops have entered the battle against the Red Dragon · Olivia in the valley.

The battle situation is 50-50, Gigis-sama is asking for reinforcements if possible"

One soldier jumps into the tent.

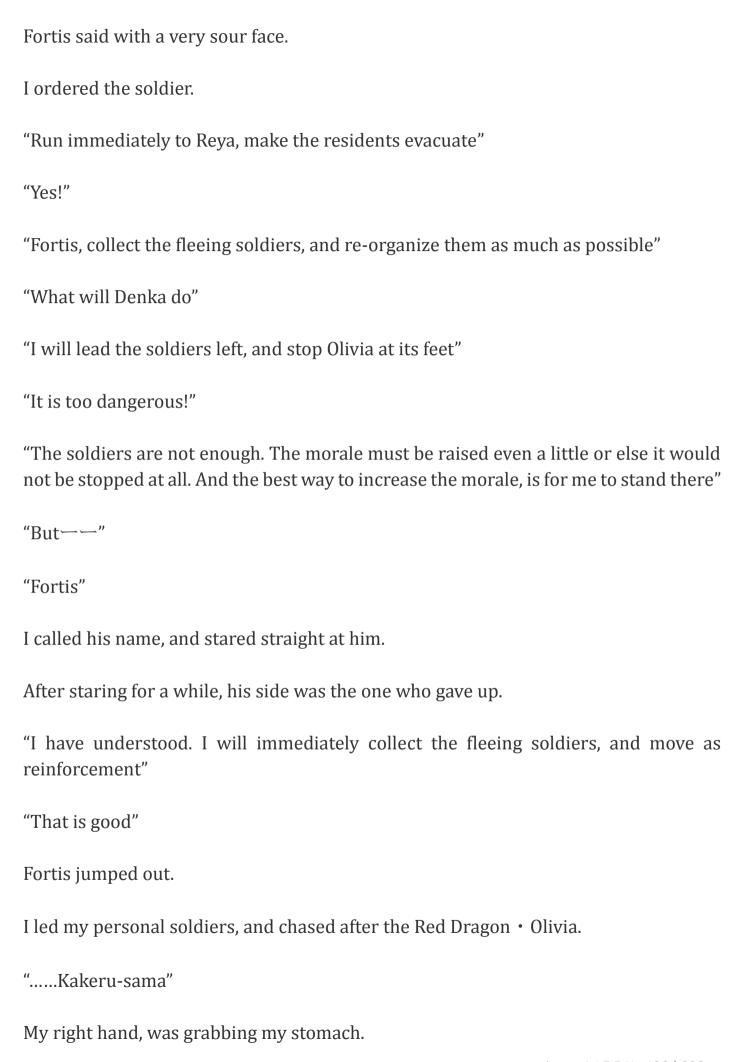
"General Gigis and 2000 soldiers, and finally equal huh. That is very scary" I thought for a while, and ask Fortis who was beside me. "How many soldiers are there that we can move" "If it was Denka's personal defense troops, a thousand as soon as you want" "Send them immediately. The fight against the red dragon should not be prolonged" "Ha!" "You should take command" "But with that, the safety of Denka's surroundings" "Olivia must be defeated first. You saw the ruined Rodos right. Tragedies like that should not be increased" "——! As you command. I will reinforce them immediately" Obeying my order, Fortis was about to jump out of the tent, at that time. "R-Reporting" A soldier jumped inside. With an irregular expression, with a hurry. I somehow felt a terrible feeling with it. "What happened"

"Gigis-sama dead in action! The subjugation army main force rout"

But.

Composedly, composedly, while I was letting myself hear, I asked the soldier.

No way. Those words came to my mind first. But, it was real. I heard the roar of the dragon from far away. It was not a death cry, it was a roar that made me feel its anger. The Red Dragon • Olivia is alive, and it was the proof that it was angry. "What happened? Was it not an equal fight earlier?" "Gigis-sama and the surroundings were burned down by the dragon's breath. The front lines that lost Gigis-sama fell into chaos" ".....the casualties are" "There are only 30% who can move.....but they have started to rout, so....." The soldier did not finish saying it. Almost annihilated, I knew that it was annihilation as his words said. For it to become like this in an instant... it was something that far beyond expectations. "What happened to Olivia?" "It is moving towards west" "West.....this is bad, in that direction, Reya is" "There are 20 thousand people. There is still distance, but it would probably reach there without taking a day"



"Message! Centurion Spiros dead in action!"

"The ten men commander directly below—promote Pan to a Centurion. And order to continue stopping it"

"Yes!"

The messenger soldier went running.

In front of me.....I could see the huge red dragon that was like a mountain from afar.

Until I was able to see it directly, I could not imagine that it was this huge.

U∼un, it was larger that what I have imagined, was more precise to say. It was clearly, more huge by one level than the Red Dragons that was written in the records.

Was the record wrong, or is Olivia special.

"Message! Fortis-sama, wounded! He has no consciousness having grave wounds!"

"Evacuate immediately. Promote the person who has the highest rank there by one rank, and let him lead the soldiers"

The soldiers that Fortis re-organized were dying one next to the other.

Still, we cannot move back, if we move back from here, Reya would be.....

At least, just like Rodos, we should buy time for the residents to evacuate.

But as if to make fun of that, the soldiers were dying one next to the other.

The Red Dragon • Olivia was gradually closing its distance.

It was closing in while scattering violence.

It's the limit, I felt.

It could not be blocked more than this, more than this, even I would——. But. If we move back from here, the residents of Reya, more than half of them would most probably be caught up by the violence of the dragon. Hesitation. "Denka! It would not take any longer" ".....stand your grounds" At the end of hesitating, I decided. The casualties for the common people should never be allowed. A few hundred soldiers and I. Twenty thousand people. It should probably be, the latter that has the balance tilted in. "Then, Denka should at least run away. We would take care of here" "Thank you, but it looks like it was too late" Breaking through the wall of decreasing soldiers at an accelerating pace, the Red Dragon closed in. A roar that shakes the land. Earthquake that was enough to not anyone stand. Death, had come in front of me. My hand touched around my abdomen. At least, those words came to my mind. A picture of a happy family of three came up to my mind.

I closed my eyes. At least, I could die thinking of that.

At that instant, a different kind of roar echoed.

Falling down from the heavens as if a dark lightning, stopping the Red Dragon's march.

The next instance, one man stood with an air of composure, having in his hands, a dark light.

Demon Sword in the right hand, and Demon Sword on the left.

"Kakeru-sama!"

The wielder of two Demon Swords, he reflected into my eyes as a savior.

CHAPTER 44 OLIVIA

I drew out Eleanor that was pierced to the ground. I heard a shouting voice inside my head immediately.

[You bastard! You threw me with full force!]

"It was an emergency so it can't be helped, you're the only one that I was able to throw that was in my hand. There's no way I could've thrown Hikari too"

[Of course!]

"And, you're the only one that can be in between that and stop it"

I looked at the dragon in front of me. The dragon that was kicking the hell out of the soldiers while charging had stopped its momentum completely.

"It's true that it stopped. It's not for show that you're living as a Demon Sword for hundreds of years"

[As expected of Okaa-san~]

[F-Fun! That's natural]

With Hikari's cheer, Eleanor's momentum gradually decreased.

I was somehow able to imagine her looking to the side with blushed face.

I saw Helen at the opposite side of the dragon.

In the middle of fleeing soldiers, Helen was staring here intently.

"Helen!"

"Yes!"

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"Leave it to me!"
"--! Good luck"
She only said that, and Helen started giving orders to the soldiers near her.
Within the distance her order had reached, tens of soldiers had gathered, and
retreated while protecting her.
After I looked that off, I faced the dragon.
It was ridiculously huge, a dragon that emits red light from its whole body.
It had its bloodshot eyes glaring at me.
"Ghuoooooooooon!"
It roared gazing up to the heavens. The sleeves of my clothing were trembling.
Its front feet swung down towards me.
I jumped straight to the side, and hit Eleanor to the front feet that I dodged.
There was a metallic sound, and it was blocked away.
"It's hard huh"
[Seems like it]
[Otou-san, are you okay?]
Hikari's worried voice echoed inside my head.
"It's alright, Hikari. Right, Eleanor"
[Of course]
[Really?]
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It still seemed like a worried voice.

"I should show her, that it has no problem"

[I guess so]

Eleanor, and Hikari.

I made a stance with Eleanor on the right, and held Hikari back-handed.

I made a stance with the two Demon Swords, clad their auras to my body, and jumped towards the dragon.



"Helen-sama! Where should we go"

While retreating, one soldier asked.

It was one of the tens of soldiers that I was able to gather somehow.

I thought for a while, and answered.

"We are going towards Reya. We will re-organize there for once"

"Ha!"

While being protected by soldiers, I moved towards Reya.

After moving for a while, I saw a group moving towards us from ahead.

"Is it reinforcement"

"That is.....this is bad! Helen-sama, they are bandits"

"Bandits?"

Was it like that? While I was thinking of that question, the group came in front of us.

They really looked like the kinds of bandits, and their numbers are three times of us.

"What? Government soldiers?"

"Probably, that woman in the middle. That's possibly"

"Yeah. A high noblewoman protected by the government soldiers, coming from the direction of the dragon"

The man who was the leader grinned, smiled showing his dark teeth.

"The rumored Princess Helen huh"

"That's for sure"

"Today's a good day. Not only were able to get valuable things, there's even this kind of bonus"

The bandits were grinning while looking at me.

They were disgusting, unpleasant eyes.

But, rather than that.

"Valuable things.....?"

"They are looters. The residents of Reya should probably have evacuated, so these guys have looted it"

One of the soldiers said.

"How can you do something like that....."

"What the heck are you talking about"

The bandit leader said with a grinning face.

"This is called waste recovery. Even if it was left just like that, it's going to be trampled

by the dragon right? Rather than something that's such a waste, we can use it to do "good" things, that's better. right" "That's right, that's right" "As expected of boss, you're too smart" The bandits talked while having a disgusting smile. "Rather than that" I stepped one step backward. "Since we've met, I will take the princess with us" "Honestly, compared to the junk that we collected, the princess has a lot more value" My soldiers repulsed. "Don't fuck around!" "I won't let you let touch even Princess, whatever happens" "Ho~n. Then we'll just use force. Let's go you bastards!" The bandits attacked. The soldiers came in front and fought. Soldiers that were wounded in the fight, their opponent was more than three times. Gradually, one by one, they are being defeated. "Helen-sama, please run away while we are stopping them" "But" "Please hurry"

Questions and answers, hesitation in an instant. That was fatal.

I turned around and tried to run away, but the bandit leader got in front of me.

"O,tto, you can't run from me"

"Ku!"

I heard a scream behind me, and it became quiet.

I knew that all of the soldiers that were protecting me were killed.

"Come now, dear princess, give up already"

""

I saw through the bandits.

The giant body of the Red Dragon that could even be seen here.

And Kakeru-sama who was fighting it.

Kakeru-sama was overwhelming the Red Dragon. With Demon Swords in both hands, he was overwhelming Olivia that destroyed our army.

As expected of Kakeru-sama. I thought from the bottom of my heart.

But, that is.

It means that I would not be saved this time.

He was overwhelming it, but it would still take time to defeat it, and there is also distance.

I closed my eyes. And, gave up.

This body is Kakeru-sama's, I cannot let any other men touch me.

I thought, the instance that I was about to bite my tongue.

"UGYAAA!!" "Who the fuck are you!" I heard death cries of the men from behind. I opened my eyes, and looked back. The bandits were being slashed down one next to the other. And the one who was there——. "Nana-sama?!" Nana Kanou. One of Kakeru-sama's women. I have seen her once in the battlefield, but she slashed at the bandits, and saved me. "I'm sorry I was late" "Rather than that, why are you here?" "I came with the order of Aruji to save you. He ordered to send you to a safe place, whatever happens" "Kakeru-sama has....." Was he worried about me? Warmth swelled out from my chest, I grabbed my belly. And while I was doing that, the bandits that were around 30 people slashed and killed by Nana. "Come now, let's go" "Rather than me, to Kakeru-sama's place!"

Nana shook her head silently.

"There is no need. There is no way that Aruji would lose with something like that"

"....!"

I looked behind, and saw Kakeru-sama.

Kakeru-sama who was in a skirmish with the Red Dragon.

Even alone, Kakeru-sama who was able to fight more than equally.

It was true, our help——it did not look like he even needed Nana's help.

Since I came to this world, this was the longest fight.

The dragon's scales is hard, and if I didn't slash with my hips on it, even Eleanor would be blocked away.

Even if I shot it with magic, it was only in rage and it's not clear if it dealt damage.

And above that, its attacks is heavy, and the flames that came out from its mouth have a large range making it hard to dodge.

After dodging and slashing at it for an hour, its body had gotten smaller compared from the start.

It was a five-story building at the start, but it only had half of that right now.

[It's movements have stopped]

I heard Eleanor's voice that I didn't hear that much during the fight.

It's true that the dragon's movements had stopped, on top of that.

[It's staring at us, Otou-san]

Not the bloodshot eyes at the start, its eyes had felt they have reason, it was looking at me with peacefully.

[Human child]

I heard the dragon's voice.

It was completely different from a human's, and a different type of voice from Eleanor or Hikari.

[For stopping me, I have gratitude]

It probably returned to its senses.....its end was near.

The dragon that told me that collapsed to the ground, and stopped its movement.

Its skin fell into crumbles, its body was destroyed.

"It's finished huh"

[Umu]

I returned Eleanor to her sheath, Hikari changed into human form.

I looked around.

While fighting, I didn't have the leeway of looking around, but when I look closely, soldiers that were killed by the dragon were here and there.

"With one dragon.....how many casualties were there"

[This time, it even more little]

Eleanor said casually.

[I have seen Red Dragons closely a lot of times, but this time have lesser casualties overwhelmingly. About 1/4]

"I see"

If Eleanor was saying it, then it was probably true.

Even if she's like that, she's a Demon Sword that had lived for hundreds of years, she's what you call the living witness of history.

"Whatever, it was good that had ended. I'll leave the rest to Helen"

[I guess so]

"Let's go home"

When I was going to jump with the Warp Feather, I noticed that Hikari was not around.

I looked around, and called out to Hikari

"Hikari? Where are you"

"I'm here~"

I heard Hikari's voice from afar.

The dragon's corpse, from the back of the tattered dragon, Hikari came out.

Hikari was, hugging an egg.

An egg that was big enough for Hikari to hug with both hands.

"Hikari.....what's that"

"It was shining"

"Shining, you say"

"It was shining inside that"

Hikari looked at the decaying dragon while hugging the egg.

What does she mean? When I was thinking of that.

[Reincarnation, huh] "Reincarnation?" [There are rare times. The dragon that had ended its life, it returns to its egg instead of dying. I don't know the detailed though] It was something that I probably heard somewhere. [By the way, it will hatch soon] "Wha!" When I was surprised, as Eleanor had said, *Pishi* the egg started to crack. *PishiPishiPishi*, it cracked. *Paka*, it opened from the top. What appeared from inside, was a small winged dragon that was about the size of a small dog. I put my hand to Eleanor's handle—but. "Myu∼" The dragon's tongue came out, *Pero* licked Hikari's cheeks. After that, it jumped out of its shell, clung to Hikari, and snuggled. Uhmm.....this, maybe. Was it that, the thing that makes the chicks think that the first animal they saw is its

The Chibi Dragon snuggles Hikari, and Hikari was tickled, but happily played with the Chibi Dragon.

parent?

[It looks like it's safe]

".....looks like that"

I don't know what's going to happen, but it's probably okay.

I removed my hand from Eleanor, and after watching Hikari and Chibi Dragon play around, we came back together using the Warp Feather.

[THE BOOK OF CALAMBA KINDOM]

CHAPTER 45 RUMORS AND FASHION

One head of mountain cows, I killed it with bare hands.

Io who came with me to my daily routine quota asked strangely.

"Kakeru-san, what happened to Eleanor-san?"

"Hikari was still sleeping so I left her. Right now, they're probably sleeping as parent and child without bother"

"Haa~.....is it okay?"

"Un?"

"Uhm, is it okay even if you don't have a weapon"

I thought for a bit, I got it.

When I think about it, when I met Io, I already had Eleanor huh.

And ever since, I always brought Eleanor when I'm going to fight, and what Io said "Amazing" most, crushing Orycuto into pieces, I did it using Eleanor.

I defeated mountain cows with bare hands at first, but Io doesn't know that.

"Orycuto is too much with bare hands so, I'll count on you today"

"--Yes!"

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Mountain cows and Orycudite, I delivered both of them, left ways with Io, and walked around the town.

When I was walking nonchalantly, I noticed that something is weird.

No, saying something is weird is different too, there's liveliness somehow.

There's liveliness, and if I think about it, I feel like the people in this town had increased.

Is there a festival or something?

"Kyaa!"

I was bumped by someone from the side. It was a girl's voice.

She almost fell down to her thighs, so pulled her hand and stopped her.

"Are you okay——I mean, isn't Marie"

"Eh? Ah, Kakeru-san"

"Why are you hurrying like that, and those luggage"

Marie had a big bag, and food ingredients were inside.

"There were no more ingredients in the store, so I was shopping"

"There's no more? This early?"

I somehow looked up to the sky, the sun is still high.

"Yes. Recently, the people in town is increasing. There were many people that moved from other towns. And because of that, our customers have increased, and sometimes, something like this"

"Is that so. You're booming huh"

"Thank you very much!"

"I'll go eat there again soon"

"Yes! I'll be waiting"

I waved at Marie and saw her off, and looked around once again properly.

The reason why it felt like the people increased was like that huh.

But, why? Is it usual for food stores to be sold out faster, or to see people increase very clear even to me?

I got curious of that.

"That is thanks to Yuuki-sama"

I came to Samaras Merchant Company, and when I told Samaras about that as a topic, he said that to me.

"Thanks to me?"

"Yes, this Roizen, do you know what name is it being called recently. They said, it is the town of the Demon Sword Wielder"

"Yes, that is correct. A town where a hero that wields something like a Demon Sword, a town where whenever something happens, he would protect. Kiril War, Olivia's Tragedy. Because of the accidents that happened consecutively, there's a rumor that had spread saying that this Roizen is the safest place right now"

There's something that got me with the way of saying, something like a Demon Sword.

"That, how much is it being rumored?"

"Let me think"

Samaras thought for a while, and said.

"There is a big weaponry shop after crossing one street, I will suggest for you to go there"

"Weaponry Shop?"

Why is it a weaponry shop?

I thought it was strange, but I decided to go for the mean time.

I left the Samaras Merchant Company, and walked through the town that became vigorous.

I traced the memory when I took a walk before, and reached the weaponry shop Samaras told me.

I entered inside——I was surprised.

"Welcome, is it the first time for customer-san?"

A woman clerk greeted me with a business smile.

"Is that so. What are you looking for today? We have all major kinds of weapons"

"Rather than that.....that"

Where I pointed to, there was a ton of weapons that looked like the same lined up on the weaponry shop's wall.

That is, said in one word, Eleanor.

There was a ton of swords that looked completely the same as Eleanor.

"Ahh, is Customer-san looking for Demon Sword Replica?"

"Demon Sword Replica?"

"Oh? Having a question about means? Customer-san is someone who just came to this town right"

".....what is it?"

"Do you know that recently, this town is being called the town of the Demon Sword Wielder? Recently, that Demon Sword that was the same as what the Demon Sword Wielder uses, the replica of the Demon Sword sells like hotcakes"

"They sell?! And even like hotcakes"

"They really sell. Honestly, one replica of the Demon Sword, has the same profit from selling those other weapons"

"No way....."

I was speechless. I didn't think that something like that was happening.

"How about it Customer-san, do you want one? They are still selling, so it's going to be sold out soon and it's going to get harder to buy them you know?"

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More and more, I got lost on what I should say.

I left the weaponry shop, and walked around the town nonchalantly.

And when I looked at it carefully, it's true, there were swordsmen that had Eleanor-like things hanging from their waists sometimes.

It's not only in their waists, there are even those who were carrying them on their shoulders.

Even though they know very well that it really feels like it's a "Demon Sword", nobody says anything. Even if they were carrying it openly, nobody thought of it strangely.

".....when did it became like this"

I mumbled.

At the same time, it felt a little ticklish.

More than being told that I was being rumored by someone somewhere, this was far more ticklish.

"Okaa-san! I also want a Demon Sword"

"Swords are dangerous, so when you grow up okay"

The conversation of the mother and child that passed in front of me made it more and more ticklish.

This is.....that, someday an imitation sword of Eleanor, or even a toy Eleanor might be sold?

".....no"

I went around the town with a quick pace. I looked around focusing on toy stores or grocery stores, places like that.

They might already exist. Merchants that saw how it was, might already have started making them and selling them.

I thought of that and looked around, I even went to the corners of the city where there were few people, but I couldn't find toy-like Eleanors.

I had a weird feeling, but I was relieved for a little.

If it really became a toy, I wouldn't know what face I should make.

"I should go home huh"

I'll talk about it to everyone today. It's a very good story for teasing Eleanor.

No, maybe I should even buy at least one before going home. It really looks like Eleanor itself, so Hikari might get happy.

I thought of that, and when I was going to the weaponry store.

"You're the Demon Sword Wielder"

I heard a low voice from behind, and a blade was pointed at the back of my neck.

I was surprised clueless to the sudden thing.

I moved only my eyes, and confirmed them.

There were no people around me.....other than five men who was releasing their hostility.

"Who are you?"

"There are many people who have a grudge on you, I'm one of them"

".....what are you planning to do with me?"

"Foolish question. I will kill you here"

The man said with a low voice mixed with hatred.

"I have been waiting for this time. The time to kill you, the time when the Demon Sword is not in your hands"

"…"

"How does it feel without your last hope? Are you scared? Are you frustrated? That, we will——"

I used the Warp Feather.

From the situation of being pointed with a blade on the back of my neck, I warped to a place five meters away from them.

I looked at the men. They were all surprised.

"My bad. It's not like I'm strong because I have the Demon Sword"

"Ku.....!"

"Well then, bring it on"

"R-Retreat!"

The men, all of them ran away. ——but I won't let them.

I made full use of warp to chase them, and killed them for sure.

Because if I let them go away, they might change their targets to my women the next time.

"Y-You monster....."

The last man mumbled that at the end, I received it as a flattery.

CHAPTER 46

LAST BOSS

In the mansion's yard, I was checking the specs of the Magic Cottage.

"Otou-san, there's no chair you know?"

"It looks like that"

Hikari who was hugging the Chibi Dragon peeked from behind what's inside the Magic Cottage.

It was only a wide room, and nothing was inside.

I made it big, placed a chair inside, made it small, and made it big again.

After doing that, the chair that should've been inside disappeared. There's not even a speck of it remaining, as if it was erased.

"As I've thought, it should be the furniture for this should be drawn from the lottery huh"

"Are we going to draw lots?"

"Yeah. Let's draw what we can and gather furnitures"

"Otou-san, that, can Hikari draw?"

"Yeah, it's okay"

"Yay~"

Hikari was so happy she was jumping like a bunny. And Chibi Dragon also jumped like a bunny.

I couldn't help but droop the corner of my eyes. Hikari is really the cutest in the world after all.

[A doting parent huh]

"Say what you want"

Hikari and Chibi dragon ran around the Magic Cottage.

Eleanor and I watched them.

"Excuse, I have heard that the person called Kakeru Yuuki is here"

"Un?"

I looked back to the voice, outside the grounds, there was a person who was covered by hood from its head.

I can't see her face, but from her voice, it seems like she's a woman.

Miu jumped out from the mansion, and stood in front of the woman.

I'm here, but it's Miu's job to ask who it is when visitors come.

"Can I ask who you are?"

"Althea, I am called. I had heard that a person called Kakeru Yuuki is here"

It was clear that the woman has noticed me, but still, she asked Miu.

Miu looked at me. I nodded back to Miu, and entered the mansion.

"Otou-san?"

"It's a visitor. Hikari, can you go play with her somewhere"

I said that to Hikari who followed. "Un", Hikari greatly nodded, and ran somewhere with Chibi Dragon who had gotten really familiar.

While carrying Eleanor, I went towards the mansion's drawing room after letting pass time a bit.

The woman that was guided by Miu was inside the room.

"I'm Yuuki Kakeru"

"I am Althea"

"Althea-san? Your surname is?"

"Just Althea, please remember me as only that"

".....Haa~. For the meantime, please"

I made Althea take a seat, and I took a seat in front of her.

[This woman, she's not human]

Mu!

I got cautious after hearing Eleanor's voice.

I don't know how why she thought of that, but I can't think that she would say that without basis.

Her appearance wearing a hood is suspicious too, while getting cautious, I asked Althea.

"And then, what do you need from me"

"I came hearing the rumors"

"Rumors? About the Demon Sword Wielder?"

"That is also one, and more than that, the other one rumor"

"The other one rumor?"

I tilted my head.

What rumors are there other than Demon Sword Wielder.

I fought her and there, and I have Eleanor with me basically, so my rumors should be 100% "Demon Sword Wielder".

Other than that.....what else are there?

"An excellent stud, I had heard and come"

"Pu~!"

I was taken aback and spouted.

An excellent stud? What the heck is that.

[Why are you surprised]

Eleanor's voice echoed inside my head. It was an amazed voice.

[You made that many women wait upon you, and made everyone serve you. On top of that, a man who impregnated I who is a Demon Sword, what else can you call him other than a stud]

I can't say back——but.

I did things that it couldn't be helped being called by that, but how did that become a rumor?

I should check it out later.

But first, I should focus on the woman in front of me.

"Even if I was a stud as the rumors say, so what?"

"A handshake, can you do it with me"

"Handshake?"

"Yes, a handshake first"

".....alright"

I nodded.

There's the possibility of it being a trap, but I'll think about it when that time comes.

There's even Eleanor, things would work out.

I placed my left hand to Eleanor, and reached out my right hand.

I was surprised a bit.

Althea's hand that she reached out for the handshake was with wrinkles.

Just like a grandma's, wrinkled hand.

I hesitated for many reasons, but I grabbed that hand.

"Eh?!"

I was surprised. The instance I shook hands with her, Althea's wrinkly hands had gradually tightened.

As if her youth came back, it became a firm skin.

"What is the meaning of this"

"Ohh.....this is more than expect"

Althea removed the hood that covered her.

My breath was taken away.

What appeared here, was an unprecedented beauty.

One that I had never seen before, a beautiful woman more than any woman that I had met.

A woman of great beauty, that was all that can be said.



I want to do it. I instinctively thought. ——but. "A-re, it's not reacting" I looked at my crotch. The thing that usually declares its presence even after making everyone exhausted, it is not reacting. Even if I focused on putting strength to my crotch, it's not reacting after all. What is the meaning of this, this thing. "A man more than expected huh" "What does this mean?" I looked at Althea. "To return to this appearance, I usually need around a thousand man's vigor, but to for it to be enough with just one. It's my first time, with that kind of man" ".....you absorbed my vigor, that means. With that earlier" "Yes"

I wondered if something like that exists, but I remembered Eleanor's words that "She's not human".

And also, if I look at her carefully, Althea's skin's firmness just didn't return, but her face was somehow smoother.

And my crotch wouldn't react.

Looking at the situation, there's no doubt it was like that.

"Thank you, ask me something in gratitude"

"Let me do you"

I answered promptly. I said exactly what I was thinking at the first time I saw Althea's face. "Alright" Althea replied casually. "If it was a man such as you" "Yosh" I wrapped my arms around Althea's shoulders, and took her to the bedroom. But, I forgot. ".....it wouldn't react" That's right, that my crotch is just like it's useless. "It is probably because I absorbed all of it" "Damn it, no way" "I will be available anytime, would do you want to challenge again after you recover" "Of course" I answered promptly. In the end, it didn't recover that day, so I made Althea stay. And the next day. "We're going to do it, Althea" I who woke up was very stiff. I immediately went to the room where I let Althea stay, but she was wearing a hood. "Then, a handshake" The hand that she reached out was wrinkled. "Don't tell me....." I fearfully grabbed that hand, and Althea regained her youth once again, she returned to a woman of great beauty. That face of hers was very smooth, in exchange, I was soft and elastic. ".....I can't do it with this" I was in despair. I was too much in despair, I even started thinking of world peace. The very stiff in the first of the morning was taken a whole, and there's nothing remaining. Even if I focused and cheered at it, it wouldn't budge a bit. In the end, I just provided my vigor for Althea's rejuvenation. "Gochisousama" Althea placed her hands together. "Don't worship me!" "Thank you again for today. I will let you make me live here for a while" "Haa∼?" "Rather than gathering vigor from a thousand people, the pureness is also high receiving it from one" "What are you——" "In exchange, you can do what you want with me. Anytime, whenever you want" "——! It's okay, you're really sure"

"It's true. If it was that much of a man, gladly"

Providing vigor for more than a thousand men, and if there's still vitality on top of that huh.

If there was that much, it really would be "that much of a man".

"I got it"

With this, the residents of my mansion increased.

And, I, for the first time, thought of training myself the first time when I came in this world.

"I will really do it, absolutely!"

I declared that to the woman of great beauty.

CHAPTER 47

Special Confidence and Courtesy

I hugged my knees and looked up to the sky at the mansion's yard. I want to do it but I can't, feeling of weakness and emptiness attacked me.

"Master.....are you okay?" Miu came to my side, and stared at my with a very worried face. "Miu" "Yes" "Let me *MofuMofu*" "--! Yes, please go on!" I *MofuMofu*-d Miu. I *MofuMofu*-d, and felt better. "Thank you, Miu" "No, it's because I am Master's maid" "I see. Thank you" I said that, and continued to *MofuMofu*. "By the way, Master. Is that person going to live in the mansion" "Althea? Yeah, that's right, clean a room somewhere and guide her" "Ah, yes. I am always cleaning all of the rooms"

"When I think about it, is work hard for Miu"

"Work? No. not at all"

"But, Miu is the only maid right. Isn't it hard to take care of this huge mansion alone" "It is alright! I will do my best!"

While being *MofuMofu*-d, Miu made a guts pose.

She was somehow gallant, so I *MofuMofu*-d her more.

"Kakeru"

My name was called. When I looked just like when Althea appeared, Melissa was standing in the entrance of the mansion.

Different from before, she came alone, not taking her subordinates with her.

"Ah! I'm sorry, Master"

Miu stood up quickly and said while she ran towards where Melissa was with a trot.

"Miu, Melissa is someone I know so it's okay to let come here instead"
"Yes"

When I told her that, Miu guided Melissa here.

"Uhm.....thank you, earlier"

"Have you rested properly since then"

"Un, pretty much"

Pretty much, huh. This is probably, the pattern of which she didn't rest.

People who love their jobs, there are no more unreliable words than "I'm resting".

Maybe I should forcefully make her rest again this time.

"And, what is it today?"

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"Uhm.....maybe you can help me again, I thought"
"....."
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I was surprised, it was a little unexpected.

When I said I'll cooperate from my side, I thought of ways to do it because she would continuously say buts and howevers, but I didn't think that Melissa would say it herself.

Of course, I have no reason to refuse.

I don't know why, but I don't feel bad with her relying on me honestly.

"Yosh, wait a minute!"

I stood up quickly. Melissa looked at me with a surprised face.

"What"

"Why are you that eager?"

"Well, that doesn't matter right. Rather than that, wait a minute"

I said that to Melissa, and warped inside the mansion.

I knocked the door, and entered the room.

The place where I didn't enter straight into, was Hikari's room.

Inside the room, Hikari was frolicking with Chibi Dragon.

"Ah! Otou-san. What happened"

"I'm going out for a bit, you want to go too?"

"Un! A fight work?"

"That's right"

"I got it"

Hikari smiled innocently, and then changed to her Demon Sword form.

Chibi Dragon looked up to me, crying "Myu∼". They were clear eyes as if to beg. "Let me come", it's probably saying. This is that Red Dragon huh...... I kneeled down, and patted Chibi's head. "You're staying okay" "Mvu~...." Leaving Chibi, I hanged Eleanor and Hikari on both sides of my waist and warped to the yard. And then, Melissa and Althea were there together. Melissa who was wearing the vestment of the Solon Church, and beautiful Althea who was not covered with her robe. When the two were together, a solemn feeling somehow comes out. "I'm surprised. To think that I would be able to see the Immortal Witch Melissa here" Althea talked to her like that, but it seems like she's not that surprised. "You are?" "I'm Althea, just Althea" "The Great Sage Althea?!"

Melissa was greatly surprised instead.

Can she tell with that? No, even when she told me, she also said "just Althea".

Is she someone that famous, Althea.

"Why.....are you here?"

"I will be living here for a while"

"Are you going to be Kakeru's advisor?" "Who knows, I wonder" "Hey, Melissa. Is she that amazing of a person?" "Don't you know?" Melissa was greatly surprised again. If I was surprised with that much, I feel bad for not knowing. "The legendary advisor that is being said to be in the shadows of numerous heroes. It is said that she had made the path for Great Emperor Rodotos' conquer before he fell to darkness" Great Emperor Rodotos? That's a name I think I heard somewhere. [Ohh, that intelligent woman at that time huh] I mean, someone who's concerned with Eleanor huh! If I think about it, weren't she saying things like that when we first met. [It's the woman who advised Rodotos who was a begging orphan to conquer the world] Hey, that's pretty amazing.

[After that, I took it deliciously though. Both the world, and also Rodotos]

Eleanor told very proudly.

You.....

"Other than that, she was also with the Holy Painter and God of Songs, the Pope of

Time and the Dragon King that conquered the skies. In the shadows of time, there is always Althea, she is a person being told like that. And to not know that....."

Melissa was surprised and appalled at the same time. Is she that amazing. But, sorry, I'm not a human from this world.

Leaving Melissa wait outside the grounds for a bit, I told Althea.

"Hey, you were that amazing of a person"

"I'm surprised too. To think that you have even tamed the Immortal Witch"

I wonder what this is, recently around me, I think that there are a lot of people that is being called "the" before their names.

I mean, I'm also like that huh, something like "the Demon Sword Wielder", sometimes I also started being called by that.

"Great Sage huh, is that advice of yours really amazing?"

"I wonder, I am thinking that I only said what I thought"

"If it was that loose, say something to me too"

"I have no inspiration, so it's impossible right now"

Althea said something like an author's line.

Together with Melissa, we fought warping here and there.

A whole day. Including warping, there were ten towns that we went to, the travel distance were probably hundreds of kilometers level, and the number of human and monsters I cut was easily over a hundred.

If I didn't see her forcing herself before, it's the level of which I would doubt if she is receiving this much requests as a harassment.

And while doing that, I have started to feel something.

It was the very same thing when I ran around here and there with Melissa before. My body was getting tired and exhausted. And opposite to that, my libido heightens.

The more I get tired, the more it gets stronger.

Said with a word.....I'm aroused.

"Althea!"

After doing all of them, I separated ways with Melissa who was somehow had a blushing face, and went where Althea was.

Althea was wearing a mantle with hood inside the mansion.

I reached out my hand.

"Let me do you"

I said.

"Re-challenge huh, okay"

Althea took my hand.

The wrinkled hand had gradually changed to smooth ones.

She removed her hood, again, it's that woman of great beauty.

And, I am.....

"It's wimpy.....damn it, is it not enough with this"

I thought that it was enough, I thought that with that strength it was enough. But still, it couldn't reach it.

"Are we not doing it"

"Damn it. Asking obvious things. I'll absolutely do you someday I promise"

"Is that so"

Althea smiled sweetly.

Maybe because I couldn't do it, or maybe because for three times I couldn't do it and was put off.

That face was the most beautiful one that I have ever seen.

Damn it, I'll absolutely do it I promise.



I looked at my own hand and I was surprised.

Very smooth skin, in his eyes, he probably had seen it as only rejuvenation.

I let him see my rejuvenation two times before, but he probably saw that as the same.

But, that's wrong.

By gaining the rejuvenation technique with vigor, I can regain my youth, but I have never returned to my body's peak ever.

Stamina, magic powers, sacred powers.....with everything, it can't reach the peak.

I know the best of my own body. Even if I rejuvenated, there was a feeling that something's not enough.

And that, was being filled right now.

They were almost filled.

With his vigor, with his vigor alone, I had almost returned to my peak.

This has never happened before. From my palm, I have absorbed vigor from numerous men, but this is something for the first time.

So manly that all of the men I have met until now over-shadowed.

My heart leaped.

It's not only my body, I even feel as if my heart has gotten younger. I wonder what this is, I'm starting to expect for something.

"Are we not doing it"

"Damn it. Asking obvious things. I'll absolutely do you someday I promise"

That's a little big a shame.

"Is that so"

I smiled, I even knew for myself that a smile was created with my mouth.

"Ne~, about from now on"

The things that I want to tell him gushes out like spring.

CHAPTER 48 THE SAGE'S GRATITUDE

Lottery place. Eleanor, Hikari, and I.

By the way, I thought of taking Chibi Dragon with us, but she couldn't come. The ones who can enter here was for some reason, only Eleanor, Hikari, and me.

"I'll go draw then, Otou-san"

Hikari who was standing in front of the lottery machine said. For some reason, there was a stepping ladder was placed so Hikari could reach it, but I did not say anything why it was there.

"Wait, Hikari"

"What~?"

Since she's drawing the lot, I decided to lend her my luck just like before.

"Lend luck to Hikari"

[Luck is being lent to Yuuki Hikari. Remaining Time: —— seconds]

"Eh?"

I heard an unexpected voice.

I thought of using the skill that can lend my abilities that I got from the limited lottery to Hikari, but I couldn't.

It's already been being lent, and on top of that, the remaining time has a strange noise and I couldn't hear how long is remaining.

"What does this mean?to Hikari, lend strength, lend speed, lend magic powers" [Strength is being lent to Yuuki Hikari. Remaining Time: —— seconds] [Speed is being lent to Yuuki Hikari. Remaining Time: —— seconds] [Magic powers are being lent to Yuuki Hikari. Remaining Time: —— seconds] All of them have the same results. I don't remember on lending those to Hikari, and in the first place, the time remaining is bugged. "Lend luck to Eleanor" [Luck will be lent to Demon Sword Eleanor. Time Remaining: 29 seconds] This time, it worked properly. The skill from the limited lottery is properly working. Then if it's like that.....what does it mean? "Why, does it not work with Hikari?" "Isn't it because she's your daughter?" Eleanor said. She was a little appalled, but if I looked carefully, with kind eyes. "Because she's my daughter.....ah" I thought for an instant, and understand what Eleanor was trying to say.

Because she's my daughter, because she's a child born from me.

Because she already has received my genes, I can't use it twice on her.

That was Eleanor was saying.

I don't know if it was true, but I'm convinced.

"Otou-san.....what happened?"

"Eh?"

"Is there, something wrong with Hikari?"

Hikari asked timidly. Her eyes that were looking up, they were almost crying.

It looks like I made her anxious.

Of course, there isn't anything wrong with Hikari, it's rather the opposite.

If the reason that Eleanor had said is true, I would rather be happy, and I would love Hikari more and more.

I bent my knees, and patted Hikari's head.

"There's nothing wrong with Hikari"

"Really?"

"Yeah. I just found a proof that Hikari's my daughter, so Otou-san just got happy"

"Hikari is Otou-san's daughter you know?"

She was making a face like "What are you saying?".

"Yeah, Hikari is Otou-san's daughter"

I patted her head more and more.

Hikari stopped making a sad face, and smiled happily.

And when I was patting her more and more.....I saw that Eleanor was sulking

"What is it"

"What of?"

"No, making that face, what happened?"

"It's nothing"

She said, and faced back.

No, that's clearly the face that there's something right.

Just like how I did with Hikari, I patted Eleanor's head.

Her height and appearance are almost the same with Hikari, so she was easy to pat.

"Eeii, don't treat me like a child!"

"Didn't you want me to pat you?"

"There's no way! There's no way that I would be happy being patted in front of my daughter by her father!!"

"U~n. Then, Hikari, pat your mother's head"

"Un! Okaa-san.....*NadeNade*"

"Mu!"

Eleanor's body trembled, she was making a somehow making a face with a complaint, but since it was Hikari who was patting her, she couldn't shout at her just like she did with me.

Not being able to do anything, she let Hikari pat her head.

She was making a complicated face, but she's happy on the inside.

She's easy to understand after all.

"Uhm.....I have also told this before"

The lottery staff that was there all the time, said while looking at us with wide eyes open.

"Can you not bring with you a strange family comedy act?"

"Wasn't it a happy family circle the last time"

"That's already pretty much a family comedy act, you know"

It was strangely hard to deny.

Because the look of the staff was bad, for the meantime, we drew the lottery.

I couldn't lend her my luck, but even so, I made Hikari draw all of it.

The result, we gained one "Extension Block" from the free lottery, and many magic balls from the lottery that uses tickets.



I spread out the magic cottage at the mansion's yard, and entered inside with Hikari. It was really wide inside, and nothing was there.

"Where does Hikari want to make a room?"

"Uhm, here"

She pointed at one wall. I took the item that we gained in the lottery there, and used it.

The simple wall that was there shined, and a door was created.

I opened the door, inside, was a small, and after all, a room where nothing's inside.

"Wa∼, a new room"

"Hikari, let's go outside once. I'm going to make it small once and make it big again" "Un!"

I went outside with Hikari.

I made the magic cottage small, and suddenly had an idea.

"Hikari, we're going to move"

"To where?"

"Wait a minute"

I took the magic cottage that had gotten small, and warped with Hikari.

Grasslands, we came to the grasslands where mountain cows inhabit.

I made the magic cottage larger there, and entered inside again with Hikari.

The magic cottage's exterior hadn't changed, but the room that was placed earlier was still there.

"Wa~, although it disappeared before, the room remained~"

"Yeah, it remained"

[That's an interesting item]

Eleanor who was hanging in my waist said.

I entered the room, opened the window, and looked outside.

It was grasslands outside. A peaceful grassland where mountain cows haven't appeared.

"Hikari, let's go outside once more"

"Un!"

She probably already understood, Hikari eagerly nodded, and came outside with me. I made the magic cottage small, warped to the rocky mountains, make it big, and we entered inside once again.

I opened the window, I saw the Orycuto's back running away.

"Ama~zing~, the house moves!"

Hikari got really excited.

We did the same thing once more, and returned to the mansion this time.

And just as expected, seeing the mansion from the magic cottage's window, Hikari got

really excited.

For I while, I got relaxed watching Hikari horse around.

"Kakeru"

I was called from outside. It was Althea wearing a hood.

When I think about it, when Althea hadn't rejuvenated she's always wearing a hood, so I think I haven't seen her normal face.

While thinking of that, I went outside

"What is it"

"I took a baron for Kakeru"

"Baron? A potato huh"

"It's a noble rank"

"Eh?"

"Baron. Mercouri Kingdom would come from their side soon, so I took it from Siracuza Kingdom"

".....is it that given so lightly like a snack at the afternoon? Noble ranks?"

[If it's this woman, she can do it. If she does it seriously]

Seriously huh.

Why does she do it seriously?

When I was thinking of that, she answered by herself.

"You're someone who has vigor that matches that of a thousand's, it's my gratitude from receiving that"

As expected of the Great Sage, she already knows my questions.

And I got convinced.

"I got it, I'll receive it"

And with this, I became that Baron something.

CHAPTER 49 FIVE NOBLE TITLED KAKERU

It was on chaos from the morning that day. And, the busiest was Miu. "Master, a person from the Aegina Kingdom came this time" Looking like in a hurry, Miu ran inside my room. "Aegina Kingdom? Is it different from the Siracuza Kingdom just now?" [Isn't it different from its name] Eleanor pointed that out. I asked Miu once again. "Did you hear what that person from the Aegina Kingdom or something wants?" "No! But they met with the person from the Siracuza Kingdom, they were somehow glaring at each other" "Glaring.....they don't get along huh. I got it, for the meantime——" "Aruji" Nana entered this time. "One who names themselves as the Calamba Kingdom and Comotoria Kingdom's messenger came, what do you think?" "Again?!"

What the heck is happening?

Siracuza, Aegina, Calamba, Comotoria.

It just means that four groups of people that name themselves as a kingdom's messenger had come.

"It looks like they have gathered"

This time, Althea came into the room.

I didn't give her life powers today, so she's hiding her face with her hood.

"What do you mean they gathered?"

"You will know if you go"

".....is all of this Althea's work?"

I heard about the Siracuza. And being told "They gathered", I can only think that it's like that.

"Go"

I was told with a commanding tone for some reason, I felt like I've been told by the class's homeroom teacher.

It's true that nothing would happen just thinking here.

I left the room. Althea, Nana, and Miu followed behind me.

When I came to the lobby, four middle-aged men who looks bossy, and men that looks like their subordinates were standing.

Even though it was a very wide lobby, it's very cramped because of them, and it was somehow stifling.

It's like a live house that was full before the start of the performance.

"Kakeru Yuuki-dono, I believe"

One of the middle-aged men said to me.

"Yeah"

"I have come with the command of the King of Aegina Kingdom, His Majesty Ion Heracles Aegina"

"Ha∼"

A somehow very exaggerating name came out.

"On the name of King Aegina, Kakeru Yuuki-dono will be bestowed the title of the Baron. Accept it gladly"

When the middle-aged man said, his subordinates came from his behind.

They held a tray, and a short sword with decorations was on it.

There's an emblem in the middle that I'd never seen before.

Just like Helen's fan I have placed on my waist, that's probably the Aegina's emblem.

Uhmm.....I'll become a Baron receiving that? Is that what it means? Then——.

[Wasn't it Siracuza's Baron]

Eleanor said. Thinking about it, that's right.

When I heard it from Althea, it was "I took a baron from Siracuza".

Why is it Aegina then? In the first place——.

"Please halt. In the name of Her Majesty the Queen, Rica Calamba, Yuuki-dono is bestowed the title of third class baron of the Calamba Kingdom"

"Can the kingdom that only has old history move back. The Comotoria Kingdom has prepared the baron title and a land for Yuuki-sama. Well now, Yuuki-sama. Please take this"

The men said one next to the other. And took out some kind of item closes in towards

me to take it.

What they're saying and doing, it's all the same.

Coming from the King's orders, gives me baron title, the other country should move back.

Everyone was just like that, and they even started glaring at each other.

I asked Althea.

"Is this your work"

"That's right"

"Wasn't it only from Siracuza"

"Siracuza is the nearest, and only had the fastest reply. I took all the noble titles that I can take from for the meantime"

"That's why you said it as if it was an afternoon snack huh"

I let out a sigh.

Miu behind me was panicking.

"M-Master. Are you taking, all of that"

"Un? Can I take it, Althea"

"Take them"

It was teacher's tone again.

But well, I'll take it if I can though.

"Awawawa, I-I had never heard of someone becoming a Baron-sama for different kingdoms at the same time"

Miu got more and more excited.

Thinking about it, that's true. They were glaring at each other in front of me too, so there's probably kingdoms that are their enemy.

Probably, if I receive it at the same time, isn't it something like getting a general position or something from America and Russia.

Is it really okay with that? I thought.

And as if she had seen through that, Althea stepped forward.

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"Excuse me?"
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One of the men asked with a rough voice. The other men also glared at Althea. Althea named herself very calmly.

"Althea"

And then, the faces of everyone changed. They were really at it, but everyone started to have low waists.

"Oh is it Althea-sama!"

"We are so sorry!"

"Everyone, well done. You can return and report that you have completed your task"

"I-Is it that, all of it would be accepted"

"Yes"

"This is unheard of. For one person to have noble titles four out of the five major kingdoms"

"You, you're from Calamba"

"Yes. I am Duka second class baron"

It was a pretty high positioned person, but Althea strictly made him "Wait".

"You can turn around and return if you have some complaints"

"T-That is——"

[&]quot;Who are you"

Baron Duka made a very troubled face. I'm sure, that there's some reason that he can't return like this.

I mean, that reason is probably Althea.

Baron Duka was troubled just like the other messengers.

And while we're at that, another one came.

It's a familiar face this time. The sisters Helen and Iris wearing a princess dress came with their subordinates on following behind them.

"My name is Helen Teresia Mercouri"

"It is Iris Teresia Mercouri"

The two, said to me with a formal tone.

And then, the messengers until now started murmuring.

"Helen and Iris?"

"Is it not the Teresia's Twin Flowers"

"Both of the internal and external prominent figures came?"

"Don't tell me, Mercouri also?"

Ignored those who were being surprised normally, Helen said.

"Kakeru-sama"

"Un?"

"Suppression of Kiril and Kano War, subjugation of the Red Dragon • Olivia, and the suggestion of the currency establishment. Praised for the achievements above, we are thinking of bestowing Kakeru-sama the Marquis title. Will you accept it"

"Ahh, I'll take it"

I answered promptly.

I don't know the guys from the other for countries, and it's something I don't remember, but Helen and Iris's that, I did all of it, and on top of that, Helen is my woman.

There's no reason to not accept.

"Marquis....."

"They came with that huh"

"How dare you, Mercouri"

There was murmuring behind, but it was troublesome so I ignored it.

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"Ehhhhh? Did you became a Baron-sama for five kingdoms?"

In the next day, when I told Io who was accompanying me for work what happened yesterday, she was very surprised.

"Specifically, one Marquis, and four Barons. Mercouri, Helen's place gave me a higher noble rank"

"D-Did you become everything"

"Yeah"

"I can't believe it.....I've never heard of that"

Io was surprised to death. Well, you'll be like that huh.

After that yesterday and asking a few things, the guys who came there was from the so called "Five Major Kingdoms", and their kingdom's relationships aren't exactly good.

And not only that, it looks like Calamba and Comotoria are currently on war.

"Well it's true that someone told it was unheard of"

"That is right, something like that is impossible.....it's amazing"

"I got it that it's impossible, but is it that amazing"

"Yes! There isn't a person in the history who achieved that after all!"

"I see"

No one in history has achieved. The first one.

I don't feel bad hearing that.

I thought for a while, and asked.

"Hey, Io, what's the highest in noble ranks?"

"Uhmm, is it, the Duke?"

"Duke huh"

"Why are you asking?"

"No, I just thought, that it might be good aiming to become a Duke for all kingdoms"

When I said that, Io was surprised to death in an instant, but she returned to her usual self immediately.

"I think that Kakeru-san can do it!"

She looked at me with eyes of expectation and admiration.

Her sight feels good.

One Marquis, four Barons, I'll make them all Dukes huh.

That, might be good.

If that is so, where should I start.

I remembered the conversation yesterday, and remembered "Queen Rica Calamba".

It's with the Queen first huh.

CHAPTER 50 RELEASING THE CAGED BIRD

Inside a carriage going to Calamba Kingdom capital, Meteora.

I'm sitting faced to Althea, and Hikari is hugging Chibi Dragon on top of the knee.

Since Althea asked, I explained many things.

Lending ability multiplication, Warp, Magic Cottage.

I explained most of the items and skills I got from the lottery place.

"Is that so"

"The reaction's thin huh. I thought that you'd get more surprised. Especially Warp, the others got really surprised to it"

Everyone who heard it said that it was the first time, and they said that there isn't an item or magic that can warp.

"Maybe, there's other Warps"

"U~un, I think not"

"Then why aren't you surprised?"

"I'm very surprised"

She said casually. She doesn't look surprised.

Something like, hmm, isn't there something that she could be surprised clearly.

I thought, looked around the carriage, and saw Hikari.

"Hikari, can you become a sword?"

"I got it"

Hikari answered promptly and turned in her Demon Sword form.

Eleanor and Hikari, I reached out the two Demon Swords to Althea.

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"As you can see, Hikari's also a Demon Sword"

"Ara"

"She is, my daughter with Eleanor"

"He~"

".....you're not surprised"

"I'm surprised, very much"
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".....it doesn't look like that at all"

Althea didn't seem surprised even with the trump card. I got a little frustrated.

After that, I showed her using the black and magic balls, but she wasn't getting surprised at all, so I gave up.

"Myu~"

Chibi Dragon cried, and rubbed her body against Hikari's sword body.

She's making a very sad and sorrowful face.

She looked at Hikari in her Demon Sword look, and looked at me.

It was a face saying, "Did Hikari go somewhere?".

She's a dragon, but her eyes were like a puppy's being thrown away.

I felt bad for her, so I told Hikari

"Hikari, you can return"

[Un!]

Hikari returned to her human form. Chibi Dragon immediately jumped towards Hikari.

"Ahaha, Oh-chan that's tickling"

Hikari and Chibi Dragon hugging each other.

While warmly looking at that, the carriage advanced.



Capital city Meteora.

Getting off the carriage, I entered the castle in front of me.

I'll have an audience with the Queen first. And with that, I'm guided to a different room once.

After a while, a maid of honor came, she said that the preparations were complete, and I followed her.

I hung both Demon Swords in my waist, and walked with Althea. The maid of honor guide told me a lot of things about the etiquette and precautions at the audience.

I pretended to hear it carelessly. I got rather interested in what kind of person the Queen I'm going to meet right now.

The ceiling was very high, and the corridor was very long and has a very soft carpet. After walking for awhile, we came to a huge gate.

There are two guards standing in front of the gate.

"It is the audience hall ahead"

"The weapons and the like will be kept here"

Saying that, the two reached out their hands.

It's a natural countermeasure for assassins though.

".....it's Demon Sword Eleanor, are you sure"

"It doesn't matter"

One of the guards said, and made a cold smile for some reason.

"There is no way for the real Demon Sword Eleanor to be wielded by a man"

"It seems like it's popular for fashion recently"

The two guards said as if to look down.

I gave Eleanor without saying anything. I'll let them have what they need.

The guard took Eleanor. He was looking at Eleanor as if to see its value while grinning, but he was gradually enveloped by the dark aura released from Eleanor's blade, his face got tight, and his eyes were blood-shot.

"GU-GUGAGAGAGA"

"W-What happened!"

"GUGIGAAAAAAAAAAAAA——!"

The guard lost his sanity, and started to swing around Eleanor.

To the sudden change, the other guard started to panic.

"W-What the hell is this"
"I told you, it's Eleanor"
"Eh"

I said while looking at him with cold eyes.

"Demon Sword Eleanor, the one who wields it loses their sanity right?"

The guard looked at me and his colleague alternately. His face was clearly dyed with fear.

"W-Was it real"

"I told you"

The guard started to go on a rampage while holding Eleanor. People gathered hearing the commotion.

To the appearance of him going on a rampage while clad by the dark aura of the Demon Sword, the people of the palace were frightened and fearful.

A few guards tried to get a hold to the rampaging guard, but they were cut by Eleanor instead, and injured people increased.

The commotion gets larger, and the fear spreads with Eleanor's name.

"You should stop it by now. The audience might be canceled if it rampages more than this"

Althea said with a teacher's tone.

"I guess so"

I nodded, and went towards the guard. I received Eleanor with Hikari, parried, and punched his stomach.

I sunk the guard with one shot, and collected Eleanor.

I placed Eleanor and Hikari, the two Demon Swords to my waist that the crowd can clearly see.

Within the murmurs, the guard that rampaged and lost his consciousness was brought away.

[You bastard! Using me as easy as that]

"There's no way I can use Hikari right?"

[Even so]

"I didn't like it that you were treated as an imitation. You are Demon Sword Eleanor. Hikari's mother, the real Eleanor. I can't forgive those who treat you as an imitation" [......]

"I might do something like this in the future. I'll apologize now" [H-Hmph. Do what you like]

Because the guard rampaged, I entered the audience hall while the surroundings got afraid of me.

It was very wide inside, and very decorated.

There's something like a stairs with red carpet, and the throne is on top of that. There's a girl sitting on that thrown.

She looks like she's on her teens, a girl that is very quiet, and silent.

She's wearing a gorgeous dress sitting on the thrown. She's Queen Rica Calamba for sure.

There are three men near her ── I didn't care about them.

While I was staring at the Queen, I did the etiquette I was taught just earlier.

"Third class Baron, Yuuki Kakeru, it is my best honors to meet you"
"....."

The Queen didn't say anything, instead, the men near her started to talk.

"It is great that you have come, Baron Yuuki, and Great Sage Althea"

"Her Majesty the Queen is very delighted"

"But, Baron Yuuki, you are younger than we have heard"

The Queen was absent-mindedly looking at me, and there was no sign of her speaking. Instead, the men were chattering all that they want.

"It is no doubt, the one that is nominated by the Great Sage Althea-sama"

"But it is also true that there are still no achievements done in our kingdom"

"We are expecting on you from now on"

After that, the men told me something, but the audience ended without me being able to hear the Queen's voice even once.

"Oros, Sukinaris, Rarouka. Those two eunuchs hold all the real powers"

Inside the carriage, in our return to the inn.

Althea told me while she's still wearing her hood.

"Powers?"

"After the death of the previous King, it was those three that made Rica who was a princess a Queen. The crown prince who was reputable for being wise was cornered to a suicide in a political strife, and Rica was set to be the Queen. Since then, those three had held the real powers in this kingdom. But, their noble position isn't that much, Kakeru is much higher"

[Well, if you compare a eunuch with a baron]

I recalled the Queen that I saw earlier.

Her expressions were poor, and she was like a puppet.



I thought, "Why, even though she's the Queen?", but it was like that huh.

A decorative Queen who lost her real powers.

Her face was stuck in my mind.



"Wa!"

I was greatly surprised when I warped to the audience hall.

The Queen was sitting on the throne just like when I met her earlier, and was absentminded. There's no one else.

The Queen looked at me, compared to me getting very surprised, her expressions hadn't changed that much.

"Baron Yuuki?"

The Queen talked. It was a voice that I heard for the first time and it was a very beautiful voice.

It was too bad that there weren't any emotions with it.

"Are you by yourself?"

Unlike earlier, I spoke with my usual tone.

The Queen silently nodded.

"It isn't the time for moving yet"

"Time for moving?"

"My actions are managed. I am here for until the evening today, and return to my room when the sun sets, it has been like that"

"Managed?"

A weird word came out for some reason.

"I mean, are you always here? You don't go somewhere eles"

"If the procedures are followed. But records will be left, so Oros and the rest would get angry later on. "We are troubled doing something this selfish", they say"

""

What the heck is that.

The term Puppet Queen entered my mind when I heard the story from Althea, but isn't this worse than a puppet?

Isn't it just like a prisoner.

"Let's go somewhere"

The Queen shook her head.

"Impossible, if I took even one step to an unscheduled place, the eunuchs and the maid of honors would follow"

"Something like that, wouldn't be an obstacle"

".....because you have the Demon Sword?"

"It can be with the Demon Sword though"

It's one way to open a bloody path swinging Eleanor and Hikari, but I don't need to do something like that.

"I'll ask you again. Let's go somewhere"

".....can we?"

I nodded.

The Queen thought about it. She thought about it very deeply.

After thinking about it, she nodded silently. "Yosh, let's go then" I approached the Queen, and warped with her. From the audience hall, we jumped to outside the castle in an instant. The place where the carriage stops, the end of the street. There's a decent amount of passerby, but it's a place hard to see. I told "I'm back" to Althea who was waiting. "You took her with you" "Yeah.you knew about that, huh" "Yes" Althea nodded. To the sudden thing, the Queen looked around with a surprised face. "Where.....is this?" "Meteora's castle town.....is it" I confirmed it to Althea, she nodded quietly. "Castle town....." "Look, there's the palace" "No way.....with that instant right now?" "Eunuchs or maid of honors, they weren't an obstacle right?" The Queen stared at me intently, and after a while, *KokuKoku*, she nodded.

And, she looked around the town.

"How many years has it been since I came out of the palace"

"Was it ever since you became a Queen"

"Un. In the past, if I asked Mother, she would let me come to the castle town. There are bodyguards though"

"Un?"

Something got into my mind.

"You were able to come to the castle town, you say. Maybe, you had never left Meteora?"

"No"

"Even once?"

"Even once"

".....let's go out"

"Eh?"

"To outside of Meteora, just like earlier"

The Queen widened her eyes to surprise.

She hesitated more than earlier. She thought about it with a difficult face.

She had the experience of going out of the palace, but she had never left the city.

That's why she's hesitating. She even looks frightened.

After a while, the Queen shook her head.

"U∼un, it's fin⊢⊢"

"Let's go"

Without letting her finish what she says, I warped with the Queen.

The place where we came to, was the mountain cow's grasslands.

It's a place opposite to the city, and the place I'm very familiar with.

"T-This is?"

"Grasslands"

"This is the grasslands......"

It was like she knows it as a knowledge, but it's the first time she saw the real thing.

The Queen lets out an amazed sigh.

"Amazing....."

Different from her doll-like face when we met for the first time, her eyes were sparkling.

CHAPTER 51 KAKERU CAME

"Is this, being taken care of by someone?"

Looking at the spreading grasslands, the Queen, Rica asked me.

"Take care?"

"It is this many plants, is it not impossible without a lot of gardeners"

".....this, it's growing without taken care of you know"

"Ehh?"

Rica looked at me and the grasslands alternately. She had the face that she couldn't believe it.

"There is no gardeners?"

"Grasslands are created by its own you know"

"No way....."

".....hey, can I ask you something. For example. When someone's hungry, what do you think if you heard that he's about to die from hunger because there's no bread?"

"Eh? Should they not just eat meat?"

""

I somehow pitied Rica.

If I talked to her without knowing anything, I might've pointed out, "A marionette!".

But, after I knew that it's been years since she left the palace, and it's the first time that she left the capital city, I can't point that out.

Rather, I pitied Rica who was forced to be in such an environment, and could only think of it like that.

Rica felt something strange from my reaction, but she immediately started to horse around again.

"Ne \sim , what is that?"

"Un? Ahh, that's what you call the mountain cow"

"Mountain cow?! Mountain cows are blocks of meat——it is not huh. That is right......there's also an original appearance for the meat"

While she was about to say that, Rica noticed that her belief was wrong.

I'm sure that she was only been able to see the meat after it's processed, maybe, she'd only seen it after it's cooked.

Noticing that in the middle, she got embarrassed by her mistake.

Her blushing face was very cute. I could see her as cute even with her wearing a gorgeous dress.

"You saw the mountain cow for the first time huh"

"Un, it's the first time. They have a pretty cute face huh"

"Is it cute? That only look like a fierce beast"

"Ah! It ran away"

"The mountain cows around here are afraid of me. I hunted too much after all"

"Hunted to much, you say, Kakeru did?"

"Yeah"

"Even though it's that huge?"

"Wait a minute"

I took Eleanor and Hikari, chased after the mountain cow, and defeated it with one hit. Mountain cow collapsed with blood gushing out of its wound. I left that and returned to where Rica was once, but Rica was covering her eyes.

"What happened"

"T-The blood....."

"Ahh, you also saw blood for the first time huh"

Well, that should be the case. She might've been able to see it from small injuries, but it's natural that she hadn't seen a hunting scene since she hadn't left the town.

Rather, it's amazing that she didn't lose her consciousness or something.

"But, amazing.....a beast that huh"

"Well yeah"

"I've fought with a dragon and Orycuto too. That was more difficult"

"Dragon? Orycuto?"

Rica tilted her head.

I thought about it for a bit.

Rica who is marionette-like.

Rica who immediately fixed her belief of the chunks of meat.

Rica who had sparkling eyes looking at the grasslands and the mountain cow.

To her who's like that, I wanted to show her a lot of things.

"Let's look around with more different things"

"--un!"

Using Warp, I took her here and there.

I took her to the places that I'd come before.

Rica had sparkling eyes with every time, and was very excited.

She looked like Hikari.

She was very similar to Hikari who is a child, just born and does not know about anything, and horses around since everything feels fresh.

Since she got honestly got surprised and got happy every time, so I wanted to show her a lot more things.

Horsing around like an innocent child, she gradually calmed down as the sun sets.

And by the time when the sun has completely set, Rica returned to her Queen's face when we first met.

She returned to her face with poor emotions. It felt like Cinderella's magic faded.

"It is about time I should return"

I suggested.

"Hey, what's your schedule tomorrow?"

"Eh?"

"If there's time that you're only going to stare at nothing like today, I'll come and fetch you again, and show you a lot of things"

"Really?!"

Rica's eyes sparkled once again.

The magic was cast.



The next day, I am sitting on the throne and heard the report from Oros.

It is the usual report.

The kingdom is at peace, and there is no trouble in the world.

"It is the proof that Her Majesty's power is well maintained"

Oros finished with that.

With the exact same report yesterday.

Suddenly, I remembered something.

The question, Kakeru asked yesterday.

"Oros"

"Ha! What is it Your Majesty"

"Starving, there is a person who is about to die from hunger because there is no bread to eat, what do you think that person should do?"

"A foolish question, Your Majesty"

Oros answered promptly. Making a very wide smile.

"They should just eat meat. Or even cake would be sufficient. Things to eat are not only bread after all"

That is right, you should just eat meat if there is no bread right.

But, Kakeru made a very weird face when he asked that yesterday.

Opposite to that, he was smiling pleasantly when he heard about the mountain cow.

The other one is denounced, and the other one feels like I was praised.

Why? Why does he denounce this answer?

I thought about it.

If there is no bread left to eat, is it wrong to eat meat?

Thinking of it, I noticed something

"Oros?"

"Yes, Your Highness"

"Bread and meat, which one is more expensive?"

".....Your Highness"

Oros's expression changed. His smile disappeared, and glared at me with a scary face.

"Your Highness is Calamba Kingdom's Queen. Rather than trivial things about which is more expensive with bread and meat, we would be troubled if you do not look at things more extensively"

"The meat is more expensive huh"

Oros rattled. I understood with only that.

Which one is more expensive with bread and meat, and what Kakeru had wanted to ask.

"Your Majesty"

Oros glared at me more and more.

"I am right now, saying that you should not care about trivial things like that"

"But'—"

"Your Majesty!"

"Hii!"

Oros took a step forward.

I know that face, it is the same face when he went to my brother, previous Crown Prince Kyuros-niisama's place.

That expression, that frightfulness.

I could not help but raise a scream.

"I do not know who had told you such things, but a King, should not worry about such trifle things. It is true that bread is cheaper than meat. But, that does not matter"

"But"

"Your Majesty!"

"—<u></u>—∐"

He is intimidating, I cannot say anything. Oros is too scary, I cannot say anything back. "Do you understand" "U-Un....." "Good" Oros smiled Looking at that, I was relieved. "As expected of Your Majesty, it is very good that you understand very quick. Well well, with that wisdom, our Calamba Kingdom will continue to flourish" "T-That's true....." "Please continue to be like that. Please hold on that throne undauntedly, and lead our kingdom. If so, Your Majesty will be called as a wise ruler in the future generations" Oros said. I got relieved, and thought that might be true. But.....that is..... Is it really fine with that? $U\sim$ un, that is wrong. It should not be said that meat should be eaten if there is no bread. Mountain cows do not get born as a chunk of meat. I also.....cannot leave it like this. "Oro--"

I could not go against him. Oros is so frightening, I cannot go against him.

"I will tell you once again. Please be undaunted"

".....un"

This is not, good......but, what should I do.

What should I do.

What should I do......what should I do.

——Kakeru.

"Praising after intimidating, it's just like a brainwashing huh"

I heard a voice. It was a dumbfounded voice.

"Kakeru!!"

Kakeru!!"

Kakeru who was standing in the entrance of the audience hall unnoticed.
He looked like, a saviour.

CHAPTER 52 RETURN OF THE QUEEN

"Baron Yuuki.....how insolent! Where did you come from" Oros winced for an instant, but immediately regained himself and shouted at me. There's no need to answer. I ignored him, approached Rica, and stood in front of the throne. "Kakeru....." "I heard it. What were you about to say?" "Eh?" "The one stopped by that. What you were about to say, the thing you were trying to say?" "That is....." Rica looked behind me, and looked at Oros. As if to confirm it to him, with eyes as if they were frightened. I reached out my hand to the side, and blocked that. I made it that she wouldn't meet her eyes with Oros. "Don't worry about that. What were you trying to say" "I...." Rica held her breath, decided, and said to me. "I want to see more of outside"

Rica made a resolute expression.

"I want to see more of outside, know, and learn"

"I see"

"That cannot be done, Your Highness. Baron Yuuki, what in the world are you planning. You will not be left off according to that"

Oros threatened me.

It was a petty threat.

I looked at Oros with cold eyes, and said.

"Hey, what are you?"

"What are you saying"

"You, you're just a eunuch right. Why the heck are you saying your opinion to the Oueen?"

"I am not saying an opinion. I am just, Her Highness——"

"Restricting the Queen's actions, isn't that strange in the first place?"

"That is Her Highness's——"

"I mean, why the hell is a eunuch in the Queen's palace?"

"Eh?"

Rica got surprised.

"The thing called eunuch.....it's the person who cut off their reproductive organs to protect the King's inner palace, the harem right? With the reason that if it's cut off, they can't lay a hand to the King's harem. Is that, needed for the Queen?"

"Mu!"

"Is that so?"

I nodded at Rica.

It's also something I just knew hearing from Althea, but Althea said it to me with a

teacher's tone, so it should be correct.

Oros's wincing reaction also, proves that correct.

".....anyone! Is anyone there"

After Oros grinded his teeth, he shouted with a loud voice.

Soon after, soldiers crowded and entered.

"That's a scoundrel harming Her Highness the Queen. Catch him"

When Oros ordered, the soldiers sent hostility.

"Wait. Kakeru——Baron Yuuki is not harming——"

"Do it"

Rica's words don't reach them, the soldiers were only following Oros's orders.

I kicked off the charging soldiers.

"They wouldn't hear the Queen's orders huh"

".....an order, it is something that needs both stature and power to do it after all"

Rica frustratingly said. It was filled with real feelings.

Up until now, she really had real feelings that she had been captured because she didn't have the powers and strength.

"Meaning, only strength is needed huh?"

"Eh?"

"Eleanor, Hikari"

I drew the two Demon Swords from my waist.

I cut down the soldiers that were charging with Oros's orders one next to the other. "Is this much strength enough?" "That is....." "Well, I'll cut all of those that go against your orders, and just not let them go against it huh" I don't know what Rica's saying about she has no powers and strength, but I'll just show my strength. Rica's——the Queen's power, I will show the Baron's power. "Come! Come!!!" When I'd finished off most of the soldiers, Oros shouted again. It's with a desperate voice. Soldiers crowded in again. "Capture them" He said that, and Oros ran away. I tried to chase after him using warp, but when I was worried about Rica, he ran towards the direction where I didn't come before. I can only chase by foot. "Rica, for the meantime, I'll send you to my mansion"

".....no, I will be with you"

Rica said with eyes full of resolution.

"With me?"

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"Yes, with you"
".....yes"
Rica nodded.
Looking at her carefully, her hands were trembling, and she's clenching her teeth.
It's the same reaction with the time with the mountain cow, she seemed to be afraid
to look at the blood.
But her face, she was looking straight at me.
It's the eyes of someone who is resolute.
"I got it. Then, Rica should walk in front of me
"In front of Kakeru?"
"It's fine even diagonally, you should take a step further than me anyways. You
remained here with your own will, and chase after Oros right"
"Un!"
[Isn't that dangerous]
Eleanor said inside my head. It's true, it's dangerous to let Rica be in front.
Thinking about it normally, it's better that I would stand in the front, and literally open
the way.
But.
"Don't worry"
I held Eleanor and Hikari, and fearlessly smiled.
The soldiers wavered.
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"I only need to cut everyone"

That's right, I only need to cut everyone.

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Rica who's resolute. Rica's path that she reached by herself, I only need to cut off the ones that blocks her way.

Rica took a step in front of me.

"You only need to walk normally. There's no need to stop your feet"
"Yes"

Rica nodded very firmly. There wasn't hesitation in her face, I could see that she trusts me.

Rica started to walk. I followed her.

I swung the two Demon Swords, and opened the way.

I cut off the soldiers that attacked with the fastest way, and opened the way.

Rica continued to advance. She continued to advance without stopping even for a second.

The strong resistance at first, gradually weakened.

"Your Majesty....."

It's because Rica is standing in front of me.

The Queen that walks ahead with her own will, and the sword(me) that follows that.

I can understand why they would hesitate to attack.

The resistance decreased, and finally, there was almost none.

Rica gracefully, left the palace.

And then, there were a lot of soldiers waiting beforehand.

There was a disturbance within the soldiers.

"D-Do it"

Oros said, but the soldiers won't move. It was clear that they were confused.

I took a step forward.

Holding the two Demon Swords, I clad my whole body with dark aura for intimidation.

"You Majesty. Do I only need to also cut everyone here"

With an obvious tone, I emphasized "also".

Rica's smart, she should notice my intention for sure.

"Yes, cut off everyone who will not surrender"

She said.

In that instant, the soldiers surrendered one next to the other.

The difference between strength is clear, and the one who holds that is this kingdom's Queen.

Surrendering, was a natural flow.



"I also caught Sukuneris and Rarouka. The Rarouka guy, he tried to run away throwing away his family and servants when I came to his mansion, but I chased after him and caught him"

Audience hall.

Rica who sits on the throne and me reporting.

Different from before, there's guards standing inside the room.

"What should I do next?"

"I also do not know very well. I need to study from now on"

"Then, you should come to my mansion if you want to study. Althea's there, you should let her teach you about her knowledge"

"The Great Sage Althea.....if that is really possible"

Rica's eyes sparkled.

"I'll tell her later"

If it's in exchange for my life force, it's very possible. I can't do it with Althea if she absorbed too much, but as far as I've heard, Althea should be troubled without my life force.

Probably to at the least like she wouldn't be able to eat delicious food and she can't fill her hunger with bad food, so it should be alright.

"Really.....really, how should I give my gratitude to Kakeru. Is there something I can do?"

"There is"

"What is it? Say anything that you want"

Rica's eyes sparkled looking at me.

I glanced at the surrounding soldiers.

The smart her, understood with that.

"Leave the room"

After she ordered that, unlike before, the soldiers followed the Queen's orders.

We became alone by the to of us, she said.

Just a little, worried.

"Is it alright with me?"

The smart her, understood two steps ahead.

That I wanted the soldiers to leave, and the reason why.

On top of that, her eyes were full of expectation.

Such a woman, I wanted her more and more.

That's why, I declared.

"I want you"

CHAPTER 53

INCLINATION OF LUCK

On the top of the bed, Rica was drenched and exhausted.

It's the first time so I thought that I wouldn't be too reckless, but when we got started, I couldn't help but do it too much.

And even with that, I was still aroused, so when I held Eleanor(I left Hikari behind) and tried to go somewhere to clear my mind.

"Kakeru.....thank you"

I looked at Rica, our eyes met.

Even though she was so exhausted that she couldn't lift a finger, she looked straight at me, and told me her gratitude.

"Yeah, be thankful"

I said it jokingly.

"I'll save you whenever something happens from now on, so be thankful every time"

"Un. Thank you.ne∼, Kakeru, does Kakeru.....like women?"

"What's with that question"

I'm not homophobic.

"Uhmm.....I'm sorry if my knowledge is wrong. I had heard that, great men have great fondness for the sensual pleasures"

".....ahh, you meant it like that. If it's with that meaning, un, I like women"

"Would you like it if there's many?"

"Let me think" I thought for a while, and said. "If it's a good woman like you, as many as there is. I don't need unappealing women" "Then, if I gather them, would Kakeru be happy?" "Gather?" "I remembered about the eunuch right now" Rica slowly raised her body. Her eyes were still, heading straight towards me. "I don't need an inner palace, but if it's for gathering women for Kakeru, I thought that eunuchs might really be needed" "You were thinking of that" "You don't like it?" ".....no" I looked at Rica, and made a sweet smile. "I'll be happy if you gather good women" "Un!" Rica happily made a smile. Right now, I want to let her do what she like, I thought of that.I really thought of that alright.

After the case with Calamba ended, I came to the lottery place after a while.

"Okaa-san! *Gyu*"

The instant we were there, Hikari hugged Eleanor.

As if she was waiting for it. Well, this is the only place where Eleanor could turn into human form, so I understand how Hikari feels.

Hikari who hugs her was very excited, and Eleanor had a troubled face but it doesn't seem like she doesn't like it.

Even so, it's really fun looking at the two who looks alike being like that.

There was an earlier visitor to the lottery place.

It's the tentacles man that drew the lot before me in the world I was before.

"Ohh, we met again—hey, isn't that increasing"

The man pointed at Eleanor and Hikari. If it's someone who doesn't know what happened, he would probably think Eleanor "increased".

"There's a lot that happened"

It's very confusing to explain, so I just said that half-heartedly.

"Is that so. Well, a lot of things would happen huh"

The man made a grin.

Probably, something happened to him too.

"More than that, I'll draw first again today"

"Yeah"

"Here's first!"

"Yes, there are 10 times that are stacked"

"U0000000000!!"

The man quickly turned the free lottery one.

The balls came out very quick, and there're two different colors other than the missed ball.

The hand bell rang.

"Congratulations. It is a room block, and kitchen set"

Ohh, it's a kitchen set. I don't know what kind of set it is, but I also want that.

It's envious——I thought of that, but the man made a complicated face.

"What happened"

"I still don't have the magic cottage"

"——ah! I see, there's no meaning with only those interiors huh"

"That's right"

I looked at the staff. She smiled at me wryly.

Thinking about it carefully, that's true. Hikari was able to draw it for the first time, but there's no meaning if the main part called the magic cottage isn't there in the first place.

The man got downhearted——but immediately regained himself.

"Don't mind it, there's still this one!"

He said, and took out the stack of lottery tickets.

He gave that to the staff, and made her count.

"Yes, it's 50 pieces"

That's amazing. It was amazing before, but it's more amazing this time.

How did he gather that much?

As I've thought, I should ask him this time.

The man drew the lot.

At once, *GaraGaraGara*, he turned it.

Most of it was black or while magic balls.

And after around thirty times——there's an unknown ball that came out.

"Congratulations! Third prize, it's Different Dimension Warehouse!" "U0000!"

The staff gave the man the key with feathers.

"This is an item connects to a warehouse in a different dimension and you can use it any place at any time. Its area is roughly a six tatami room size"

"That's great, that's really great. I can use it for a lot of things"

The man got excited. I understand that feeling. You'll feel like that if you get a win.

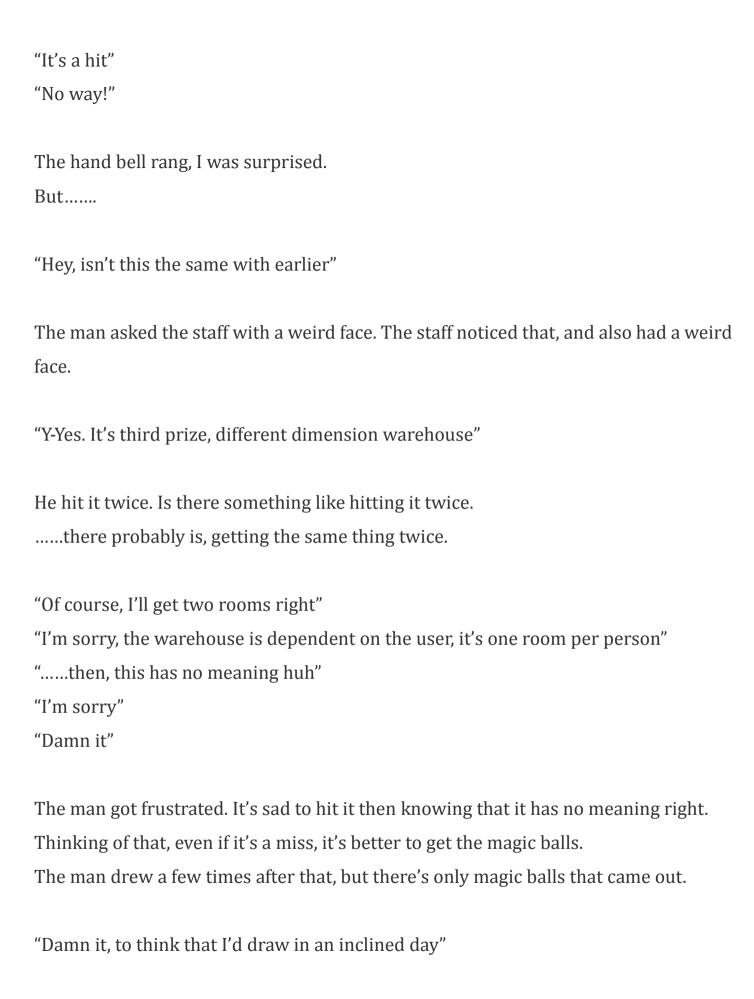
"Yosh, I'll continue to draw. I feel that I can hit a lot today"

With great spirits, he continued to draw.

I know that feeling of "I think I can hit it", but that wouldn't happen right.

Most of those times, you only feel like it——.

GaranGaran.



The man murmured, and left the lottery place.

I get that feeling, but there isn't an inclined day right.

But, I get the feeling. I really get it. "Otou-san. can I draw the lot?" While hugging Eleanor, Hikari came to my place while pulling the mother she really loves, and asked me. "Yeah. While you're at it, you want to draw together with Okaa-san?" "Together?" "Un, Hikari's here, and Eleanor's here" I pointed at the two lottery machines. "Un", Hikari nodded with a very wide smile. Eleanor's with the one with the lottery tickets, and Hikari's with the one with the free lottery rights that stacks every day. Together, they placed their hand on the lever. "Eleanor's 11 times, and lend the luck" [Luck will be lent to Demon Sword Eleanor. Time Remaining: 29 seconds] "Then let's go, ready.....start" I swung my hand vertically, and Hikari drew the lot very excitingly and Eleanor drew the lot with a complicated face. "Congratulations, it is a hit with the kitchen set"

Hikari hits the kitchen set. And——.

"Ya~v"

"Congratulations, it's third price, different dimension warehouse"

After Eleanor consecutively drew ten black balls, she hit the third prize.

.....isn't it the probability today, really biased?

"Otou-san, was it bad?"

When I was making a complicated face like that, Hikari asked something like that.

"No, there's no problem at all, it's rather the best"

"Really?!"

"Yeah, Hikari and Eleanor, great job. As expected"

"Un!"

"H-Hey"

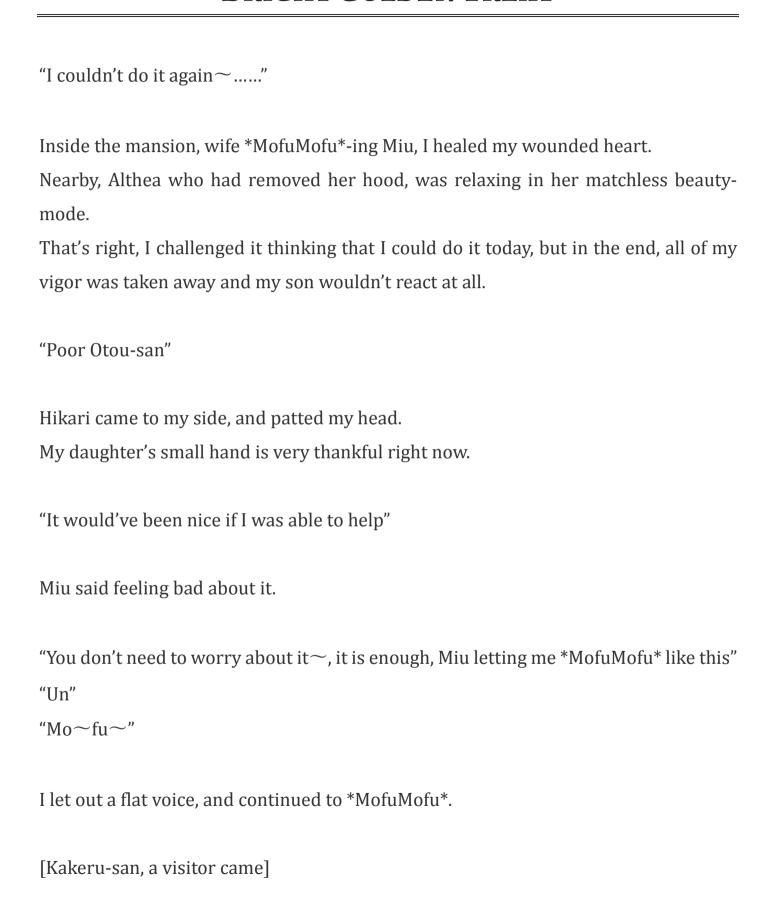
Hikari hugged Eleanor once again, and although Eleanor felt troubled, she shows in her face that she doesn't hate it.

There's not much of a problem.

The different dimension warehouse was hit, and the kitchen set was also hit.

There wasn't any problem at all.

CHAPTER 54 BRIGHT GOLDEN TREAT



Ghost Maid Tanya appeared from the ceiling, and let me know that.

Recently, she returned to the mansion again, and possessed the mansion.

Unlike before, not only nearby that maid room, it seems like she's able to move around the whole mansion freely.

And she's guarding the mansion, or helping Miu.

Because of how they met, Miu was scared at first, but it seems like they had broken the ice recently.

"Visitor? Who is it"

[Uhmm, it's the person called, Samaras]

"Samaras-san huh"

"Uhm, Master, I will just a bit okay"

Miu tried to go and do her job as a maid, but I stopped her.

"No, Miu is *MofuMofu* just like this"

"Eh! B-But the visitor"

"Tanya, Nana and Io is in the mansion right"

[Yes. Nana-san is training with sword, and Io-san is reading Grimoires]

The two had completely started to live in the mansion. It looks like the two of them are here today.

"Let one of them deal with him, and ask him what he came for instead"

[I understood]

"Wait"

Althea stopped Tanya.

[What is it?]

"Io is the magician girl right? Let that girl deal with it. Tell, that he is not feeling good" [Haa~.....] Tanya looked at me. For the meantime, I nodded. It's true that I'm not feeling good. Something like not being able to do it after losing vigor, it's a huge damage both physically and mentally. When Tanya disappeared from the ceiling, I asked Althea. "Why did you go your way to order that?" "It is because it's about time that the rumors about the Calamba Kingdom would spread" "Calamba's? Why is that" "You'll know soon" And after that, Althea wouldn't say anything. She only returned to her relaxing posture before. I stared at that. Damn it.....she's really a good woman. She's pretty, and she's sexy. I want to do it∼. But I can't do it right. I only have that feeling, but my body won't keep up. Even so, she's wrinkly if I don't give her vigor, that's too much out of the question.it's sorrowful. "Master....."

Slowly, and thoroughly I *MofuMofu*-d her. After a while, Io entered the room.

That's why, I *MofuMofu*-d Miu.

"Kakeru-san, Samaras-san had returned" "I see, and, what did he came for" "There was nothing in particular" Althea interrupted. "Well that should be true" "There's no way. Going on his way without——" "U-Un. I was told that" "Eh?" Surprised, I looked at Io. "Did Samaras-san said that?" "Un. And also, for some reason, he brought many presents for Kakeru-san. It's in the drawing room" "Present?" "I also got something like this" Io said that, and showed a jewel on her palm. "Present to Io?" "E~to, he said, "Regards, to the Goshaku-sama" (五爵様 = five titled noble-sama)

What is it really?

"Goshaku-sama?"

When I was thinking of it strange, Tanya appeared from the ceiling again.

"It might be good if you meet him in the next time"

"No, well, I'd normally meet him if he'd come though"

[Kakeru-san, this time, a person called Andreu-san came]
"Andreu-san did?"
[Yes]

I looked at Althea, she smiled sweetly and pointed at Io.

"Do the same thing", she probably means.

Io left the room, and returned again after a while.

She was making a little troubled face.

"Kakeru-san....."

She said, and reached out her hand.

This time it's a staff, it's a magic staff that had a jewel in its tip.

"Did you also get that"

"Yes, this is very expensive, what should I do"

"Presents also?"

"He left them. It's in a different room from earlier"

I looked at Althea.

"Did you got told "Regards to Goshaku-sama" again?"

"Yes, I was told that"

"Well, that would be the case"

"What in the world is happening?"

"Kakeru who have five noble titles, deeply involved in the regaining of the regime of Calamba Kingdom. With only this two, there should be many people who would want to have acquaintance with you. In short, they had come to flatter you"

"Ha∼"

Is it something like that.

It means, is it that I'm receiving a lot of bright golden treats.

"Also, if that woman would come"

"That woman?"

I thought of it strange and looked at Althea. I wonder who is she talking about.

And while we were at that, Tanya came out again.

[Kakeru-san, this time, Delfina-san had come]

"Delfina?"

[Yes, she is waiting in front of the mansion]

"She's waiting outside of the mansion?"

It's unlikely of Delfina, I mean, there's no need to do that right.

I've promised that I'd come and pick her up, and when she comes, she can enter the mansion without doing that.

Suddenly, I remembered Althea's "That woman".

"Is it about Delfina?"

"Yes. And, you, you are really being loved huh"

"What do you mean?"

"She's trying to make a rumor that even the Wealthy Merchant Delfina is taking in Goshaku-sama. To uphold you. The reason why she's waiting outside, is to let people see it. If not, there is no need for her to wait outside right"

".....I see"

"Well then, on top of all of that, what do you think would the best to do?"

Althea said with a teacher's tone.

I thought.

"Tanya, this time, let Nana go out. You should guide her only up to the entrance. Take a long time, making people see"

[I understood]

Tanya disappeared.

I looked at Althea. She had the face "Well done".

"After that, love Delfina later——"

"You don't need to say that"

I said with a strong tone.

Recently, Althea is teaching me this and that, but that isn't needed right now.

I know it, and I'm planning to do that.

Althea got a little surprised, and blushing a little, she only added: "Is that so".

And after that, for a while, there was no end of people coming to my mansion.

CHAPTER 55 SAINT'S ASSUMPTION

Outside.

I slashed the enemy monsters with dual-wield Demon Sword, Eleanor and Hikari.

In front of me, there's a lot of monsters named"Troll".

They're multiple times larger than humans, and with one fundoshi in their green body, they have in their hand a very big club.

It has enough strength to cave in the ground that was hit by the club (I dodged).

As it name says, it's really a troll-ish monster, but when I looked at personally, it's pressure isn't normal.

A normal human would probably run away before fighting.

While protecting Melissa, I defeated them.

"Should we only go like this? Melissa!"

"Un! Their nest is ahead, and it seems like the girls are being caught there"

"I got it!"

"Kakeru! Troll in both sides"

"Mu!"

Melissa's desperate voice.

After slashing down the one in front of me, literally, I saw a troll group charging from the sides.

"A new kind of pincer attack huh!"

"Is it okay, Kakeru. Their numbers are not decreasing"

"There's no problem"

I answered promptly.

Each one of them is strong, on top of that, their numbers are around a hundred, but it's nothing much.

The red dragon was far more stronger.

"Kyaa!"

I heard Melissa's scream.

One of the trolls grabbed Melissa's arm. It was trying to take her in my opening. I cut down that troll's arm with Eleanor, and stabbed its head with Hikari.

"Are you okay"

"Yes, I am fine"

"It tried to take you huh"

"Un. There was no problem if they hit me with their clubs though....."

Melissa was seriously troubled.

Her special characteristic is "tough to death", that's why there's no problem with being hit by the troll but she can't do anything if she was taken away.

Well, as long as she's by my side, I won't let that happen though.

Taking Melissa with me, I cleaned up the trolls, and saved the ones that were caught.

They were villagers living in a nearby poor village that can't give decent rewards.

It was a very Melissa-like, saving people like a charity work.



We sent the ones that were caught to their village, received the words of gratitude, and after that, I returned to the mansion taking Melissa with me using warp.

"Today was hard also huh"

I got strong, but it was hard.

It's body sense, but each one of the trolls was about half of Nana, and about ten times of common soldiers.

Taking a lot of those as an opponent, even I was exhausted.

"Thank you, Kakeru"

"No problem. Rather than that, you, aren't you taking harder and harder jobs? This time, if I wasn't there, what were you planning to do?

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Melissa wouldn't answer.

However you think of it, I couldn't think that Melissa and her subordinates that she had with her when we first met would be able to do something about the trolls this time.

It would be great if they were able to defeat one.

"Well, whatever"

This time, I was there. I also told Melissa to say something to me if anything happens, and she seems to be protecting that right now, so there's no problem.

"Uhm.....Kakeru?"

"What"

"Will you help me again?"

"It's fine, but rather than that, you should remember how to rest. Each case is very hard, and the frequency is too much too"

"Un. But, I still need to do much more"

Melissa was stubborn.

And, she seemed sad.

She said "I still need to do much more" with a sad face. I wondered why. "You, do you have something you're worried about?" "Eh? Why?" "Why or whatever, I'll get it if you'd have that kind of face" "Face....." Melissa touched her own face. She wasn't conscious of it huh. "If you have something you're worried about, tell me. I'll resolve everything" "Resolve?" "Yeah" Melissa got a sadder face. She even started to cover her face with her hands, and started to cry. "Wai! W-What happened" I panicked. *PuruPuru*, Melissa shook her head, and wouldn't answer while crying. What happened? I mean, what should I do? When I was panicking like that, Hikari returned to her human-form, and took Melissa's hand. "Onee-chan, don't cry" "Oh!", I thought. It's the trump card(Hikari)'s turn. This might be a coming from a doting parent, but Hikari has that kind of a strange charm.

How can I say this, healing people's hearts? She has that kind of talent for such relief.

Also, just like me, she has a personality who can't leave troubled women alone.

Since Hikari came out, I expected that Melissa would stop crying.

But.

"Uwa~~n"

Rather, she cried with a loud voice.

Her sobbing, changed to like a peacock's child.

Hikari made a troubled face, and looked at me.

I patted Hikari's head without saying anything.

And, said to Melissa.

"What happened really"

I asked with a little bit strong town.

"That girl.....that girl, is Kakeru's child"

"Un"

"She's Kakeru's child~~"

Pyuun, she cried again.

I couldn't understand what it's all about.

It's because she's my child, why is it "because" that?

I stared at Melissa for a while.

After about five minutes, she finally started to calm down.

And, started to speak.

"I had heard about the Calamba Kingdom. That Kakeru helped to regain the regime, in



Melissa nodded, once again, she made a face that was about to cry.

I got the reason.....and I felt sorry for a little.

Honestly, there's no particular reason. The reason why I didn't embrace Melissa up until now, is only because the timings were bad.

Something like I got busy with Rica, or getting sucked by Althea.

There's a lot of times that I wanted to do it, and I even think of doing it right now.

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"Yosh, let's do it"
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"Eh?"

"You don't want to?"

"U~un"

PuruPuru, Melissa shook her head.

"I want to. I want to become Kakeru's"

"Ou"

I carried Melissa, and entered the mansion.

Along the way, we encountered Nana and Io.

The two, looking at me and Melissa, they understood the situation in an instant.

"Aruji, should I help you"

"It's hard doing it with Kakeru-san alone after all"

They said that. That would be realistic.....it wouldn't be enough even if there's three though.

"K-Kakeru"

"What"

"Is it not okay, with only me?"

"With only you?" "I want to receive Kakeru with only myself. I-I have confidence in my stamina" ".....I see" My chest got warm. Melissa who said something like that was very, very cute. "She said so" I told Nana and Io. The two nodded. "Understood. To be sure, I would be ready" "Un, we'll do that" Leaving Nana and Io who said that, I brought Melissa to the bedroom. The conclusion, Melissa was amazing. It took a whole day——not a simile or a joke, it took a whole day to make the Immortal Saint exhausted and drenched. Melissa became like that, but I still hadn't had enough. "Thank you.....Kakeru" It wasn't enough, but looking at Melissa who said that in her sleep, my heart was very content.

CHAPTER 56

FIRST ERRAND

Early afternoon, I am elegantly relaxing, eating cake and drinking tea.

Nana and Hikari are beside me, Nana is teaching Hikari how to read.

"A-re~, this, it's different from what Nana-oneechan wrote. Why"

"This, this one's upside down"

"Ah! I see, you put it on the right not left"

I didn't look at it, but I can somehow imagine what she got wrong.

Mistaking"あ"with"お", or mistaking"さ"with"ち", or mistaking"ね"with"れ".

She got confused with that kind of mistakes common with children.

Nana, she was teaching her that patiently.

[She surprisingly, likes children huh]

"Are you talking about her?"

[Umu. I thought that she is only good at rough things, but I'm surprised that she's normally treating her kindly"

I also thought of that.

She's someone who I clashed with swords, and now, she's calling me"Aruji". It's Nana that speaks very formally, so this scene right now is surprising.

That's why it's fun watching, it feels pleasant.

"Master"

Miu the maid entered the room. She was somehow making an apologetic face.

"What happened"

"I am sorry, Master. I have forgotten to buy things, can I go buy them for a while?"

It looks like she asked for permission since she's going to leave the house. As I've thought, I should add one more maid soon.

There's a lot of things she can't manage physically alone.

"It's alright, don't mind me and go"

"Thank you very much"

"Miu-oneechan, are you shopping?"

"Yes, that is right"

"That shopping, Hikari will go"

"Eh?"

"Hikari will go"

Hikari repeated the same line. It was very cute.



Inside the town, Nana and I are following Hikari from far away.

Hikari was walking, holding the note she wrote herself using the words that Nana taught her and the basket she got from Miu.

She sways her hand while walking, stop sometimes and talk to a stranger, find a cat sitting in a corner and stares at it.

It was completely like a first errand.

"I-Is it alright"

Nana asked with asked suppressing her voice.

It's because I new that program, I was able to be calm.

"Calm down and look. Things like these, you watch over her including her failures" "Is it something like that?"

"Ahh, first errand, watch over it warmly even if it's successful or not, if she returns, praise her, that would be enough"

"As expected of Aruji, I am deeply impressed"

[You, you are saying it as if you really know about it, do not tell me you have experience with it?]

Eleanor's voice that I heard inside my head seems like it was mixed with jealousy. There's no way, idiot.

"I got it, I will warmly watch over"
"Ahh"

We continued to follow her, and watched over Hikari.

Hikari who was walking normally up until there tripped, and fell down.

She fell down as if she was head sliding.

She wouldn't stand up, she looks she is sobbing even from far away.

Hikari——.

"Aruji!"

I grabbed Nana stopping her from running to her.

"What are you doing"

"Weren't you going to watch over her warmly"

"Hikari tripped, Hikari tripped"

"I get the feeling, but we should watch over her here"

"Mu!"

I grabbed Nana's hand strongly not letting her go.

I know what she wants to say, I know, but——.

And while we were at that, Hikari stood up.

She scrubbed her eyes with the back of her hand——is she crying?!

She seemed like she was sobbing, but she continued to walk. That's so wonderful.

Anyways, because Hikari started to walk, I was able to calm down, and continued following her.

And after that, without any problems occurring, she bought the things Miu asked for, and started to go back to the mansion.

Thinking that there wouldn't be any failures after this, I was relieved.

"Aruji, is it not better if we went back to the mansion before her. Is it not better for Aruji to welcome her back"

"Mu! That is true, but"

But still, there might something that would happen, I want to watch after her until the end.

"I'll use the Warp Feather, I will watch over her until the last moment"

"Understood"

[My goodness, the world's strange treating something like this as a hero]

You're too noisy, shut up. It's your child too right.

I followed Hikari from behind.

The mansion's on the outskirts of the town, so it gradually got fewer people.

".....Aruji"

Nana called out to me, it was a tense voice.

"What happened", when I was about to ask her that——the situation moved.

Tens of men came out of the surrounding at once.

The men surrounded Hikari very quickly, and caught Hikari.

"Hikari!"

"O∼to, don't move Demon Sword Wielder, if you move one step forward, your daughter's head will fall"

One of the men thrust their sword's blade before Hikari's neck.

"Otou-san!"

Hikari is being scared.

"You, who the heck are you"

"There is no need to tell you right now, you'll know soon. You guys, take that girl from here and leave. To the place where the Demon Sword Wielder can't see her"

"Ha!"

The man who caught Hikari answered, and tried to leave.

"I won't let you"

I drew Eleanor, and clad a dark aura.

There are tens of opponents, but I should be able to save Hikari using warp in this distance and kill all of them.

But.

"Use that"

The man shouted. A magic circle appeared under my feet. And then, as if my body was caught by something, I wasn't able to move it at all.
"Aruji!"
I moved my eyes and looked at the side, it looks like Nana wasn't able to move too.
"What the heck is this"
"It is an anti-disaster class creature tactical weapon. Demon Sword Wielder, we
prepared it for you bastard. Even if it's you, you bastard wouldn't be able to move"
"Ku!"
"Don't worry, nothing will happen to your daughter if you listen to what you're told
But, even if you resist——oi"
After the man said that, the man who caught Hikari, cuts Hikari's hair with his blade.
He raised that where I could see.
"It would be like this. It was hair this time, but it might become finger"
He threatened me.
"Otou-san"
Hikari was about to cry.
"You bastards"
Puchin.
I heard something snapping.



Hikari said that, and returned to her Demon Sword form.

Eleanor and Hikari, I made a stance with the two Demon Swords.

The men ran away. They ran away like spiderlings knowing that their plan failed.

Of course, I won't let them go away, I ran after them, and annihilated them.

Without leaving no trace, I wiped them out.

But that, however, Althea scolded me when I got back.

"If you won't leave at least a corpse, we wouldn't be able to catch the root cause"

I got really pissed off, I reflect on it.

CHAPTER 57 QUEEN'S DUTY (SIDE RICA)

Inside the dark and damp prison cell.

One of the eunuchs that controlled the Calamba Kingdom for a period in the past, in front of Oros, one man appeared.

Wearing black clothes, placed the guards to sleep, and sneaked inside.

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"I have been waiting. Now then, hurry up and let me out of here"
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"What, you came to save me right. Then, hurry——"
"Here's a message. You're done with."
"What!--"
Oros was very surprised.
The one who he thought someone who would save him, it was an assassin.
"Wait, the scenario——the promise is different"
"Don't worry"
The assassin silently said.
With a voice that seemed chill cold, it declared without mercy.
"Rarouka and Sukinaris, I already sent them"
"Wha!——W-Wait! Reconsider it"
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Oros begs for his life, but the assassin's heart wouldn't be moved.

The three eunuchs that were punished by imprisonment, they had a"Mysterious Death"in the same day.

Capital city Meteora, inside the palace.

I, Rica Calamba, am discussing with the ministers I gathered.

"About Saria's situation"

One of the ministers, Acheron who was the oldest said.

"We have reports on the military situation that it is very decent. General Oshif will surely recapture the stolen Saria within a few days"

"Will the war with Comotoria end with that"

"Let me think, if it reaches there, it would be fine proposing for an armistice. Saria is originally our country's land, and that was stolen with a surprise attack of the outbreak of war"

"If I am correct, it is the strategic point of the borders......I have heard"

I took out the knowledge that I desperately filled to my head recently.

Saria. It is originally the territory of Calamba, and it is a place that is easy to defend but hard to attack.

The first work that I have decided to do after regaining the authority from the eunuchs, it was to put an end to the war with Comotoria.

"Yes, even if we will have an armistice, it should be done after we have recaptured it. If we had an armistice while that is still taken by Comotoria, it is like having a blade being pointed to our throat"

Acheron said, I nodded with no words.

It is as he says, Saria is such an important land.

I researched about it thinking how much of an importance it have after hearing the word key point, and it often came out within the Kingdom's history.

I do not know much about military affairs that much yet, but the history is saying that that place is important.

"That is why it is needed to be recaptured", that is what I think.

"If the military situation is going well, then that should be fine"
"I humbly speak"

Instead of Acheron, this time, Statis opened his mouth.

He is a middle-aged man who is familiar with domestic affairs, and his face was highly strung.

"What is it?"

"About the war expenditure. The national treasury is getting very low, it would be fine if it reaches a conclusion for a few days, but there is a risk of having bankruptcy if the war extends more than this"

"Is it that terrible? During the outbreak of war, Oros and the rest told me that we could fight for 5 years even 10 years?"

I already not believe in what they are saying, but even so, the gap is very wide.

"About that case, there are two things I need to report. First is, concerning that, there are traces where the money was being laundered through Oros and the other two. Most probably, they have been filling their pockets in the pretext of war"

"The other one is?"

I hold down my anger.

"Oros, Rarouka, Sukinaris, the three of them died last night" "Died? Yesterday? All three of them?" "Yes" Statis quietly nodded. "What is the meaning of that?" "It is under investigation, but....." "It is not a coincidence huh" Even I would be able to understand that at least. I know at least, that the three who were caught in prison dying in the same day is strange. At the same time, I also knew about the other thing, that it is not the time to be worrying about that. "The money.....can nothing be done with it?" "If the war ends within a few days——" "Think about the time if it extends" "As you wish" Statis made a bow, and said. "Even that is said, the things we could do are limited. It is whether gather it from nobles, gather it from merchants, or collect it from people. It is one of those" "Which one is the best?"

I did not know so I asked straightforwardly.

"From the people"

"From the people? Why is that? Even though exploiting the commoners will be a cause

of the destruction of the nation?"

It was a typical story that happened in the history that I started to study recently. It was very usual for countries that have tyranny, exploiting the people, to ruin. That is why, from the three choices that Statis brought up, I thought that it would be not from the people.

"Even if it is from the nobles, or from the merchants, they would only suck up the amount that they lost from the people to regain it. They would not let it end with them only having a loss"

"Ah!....."

"And when that happens, they would do it with extra, at the same time, plucking it from the people as if it was snitch food. The nobles will raise their taxes, and the merchants will raise the prices of their products. If they would give 100 to the country, they are the kind of people, who would think it would be a loss not taking at least 120 from the people.

".....if we are only giving them that 20 in the end, are you saying, that it would be better for the country to take the 100 directly from the people even if they would have a grudge?"

Somehow, I understood what Statis was trying to say.

In reality, he quietly nodded.

And, he looked at me.

With eyes of "Well then, what will you do".

I got troubled, hesitant.

I got troubled, but it is the same as having no other choices.

"Let us collect directly"

This one, would have the result that the people would have fewer burdens.

And the result of that, they would have a grudge to the Royal House.....it is a bitter decision.

"As you wish"

"As expected of the Queen Her Majesty, I am moved by the wise judgment"

Acheron said.

"Enough of the flattery, rather than that, make the war end as quickly as possible"

"Of course. But, however, General Oshif is also a seasoned warrior, good news will come——"

In the middle of Acheron's words, *Pan*, the room's door was opened.

One man entered, he ran to Acheron's side with a pale face, and whispered to him.

Acheron's complexion changed, it became blue in an instant.

"What happened?"

""

"Acheron"

I called his name with a strong tone.

"General Oshif.....had died in action"

".....eh?"

"When he found that the enemy commander in chief was trying to escape from Saria, and pursued with soldiers, an ambush——"

"Such a thing....."

"From this, the front lines fell unto confusion, seemingly in a disastrous state"

"You fool, losing sight of the objective, you should've just let the enemy general go, this war was only for until regaining Saria"

Statis said as if to spit out.

".....achievements, he probably wanted more achievements"

Acheron said that, and held his head.

Lalso wanted to do that.

I even had the resolution of being hated by the people, but with this......

What should I do, what should I need to do?

"Your Majesty"

Acheron said.

"It is already not the situation saying things like recapturing Sarira. We should immediately send a messenger to Comotoria, and propose armistice"

"Armistice in this timing?"

"Offering reasonable compensation, and cession of territory"

I want to cry now.

The "reasonable" he's saying, it would absolutely not be reasonable.

Something that is given away while losing, there was no way that "reasonable" would be enough.

I looked at Acheron, I looked at Status.

Both of them, they have eyes pressing me to a decision.

"That is only the way, if it is right now, the wound would be at the least", it was those kinds of eyes.

Compensation, and cession of territory.

"What, you were here huh"

He entered from the door that was opened.

Relaxed, and with ease. He entered with two Demon Sword his waist.

"Kakeru!"

If it is Kakeru.....I am sure, if it is Kakeru——.

CHAPTER 58

MATCHED TO THOUSANDS

I came to Rica's place.

As I entered, she was having a meeting with guys who seemed bossy, so I thought I'd come later, but I got caught by Rica's expression.

It was a face that was almost crying.

Just like that, I went to where Rica is.

"Baron Yuuki? We are having an important"

"Well, well"

A middle-aged man tried to drive me away, but a young man stopped that.

I ignored the both of them, and asked Rica.

"What, did something happen?"

"Kakeru.....save me"

"Ou, what should I do"

I heard the story from Rica.

"Meaning, the place called Saria's fronts had collapsed, so want me to do something about it"

"Un"

"I got it. If the fronts have collapsed, soldiers are probably needed. Prepare them quickly, I'll do the preparations on my part"

"I understand. Acheron, gather all the soldiers that you can"

"Are you serious, Your Majesty, it is for the better offering peace and tighten our guards, rather than retaliating"

"That is only when Kakeru's not there" Rica declared clearly. "If it's Kakeru, he will do something about it" "Ou, I'll do it. I only need to push back the enemy army, and steal back the place called Saria right" "That casually....." "Acheron, this is an order" Rica declared again. With a commanding tone. ".....I have understood" Acheron gave up. Next, the young man opened his mouth. "There is only one problem" "Statis?" "Baron Yuuki's position. Demon Sword Wielder, Goshaku-sama. If I am correct, he should have received barony from Comotoria. If you go out to the frontlines, will not Baron Yuuki worsen his position?" "Don't care" I declared. "What's wrong with saving my own woman. And if they would want to take away my barony with that, let them do it" "Kakeru....."

Rica's eyes were wet.

It looks like she was moved. She had tears, but it was far better than her crying face earlier.

"Meaning, it's like that. Is there any other problems?"

I looked at Acheron and Statis. It looks like there's none.



I warped, returning to the mansion for once, and went back taking Nana and Io with me.

Because the two would be useful on a battlefield, I took them with me.

Taking the two, while being seen off by Rica, we departed together with the gathered soldiers.

Saria's a place that I'd go for the first time, so I hurried with a horse.

After running there for a whole day with almost no breaks, I reached a fortress that was surrounded.

"Is that it?"

I asked Nana who was on my side.

"It should be the fortress called Debai. As the flags look, the Calamba side is being besieged, surrounded by the Comotoria side"

Looking carefully after Nana's explanation, it actually looks like that.

On top of that, the fortress is also being attacked right now, and seems to be losing.

[If this was taken, they would probably advance to the next base]

Well, that's true.

"Yosh, let's enter the fortress first"

"We will enter?"

Io was surprised.

"We'll charge through from behind, and go to the fortress at once. Nana, do as you like"

"Understood"

"Io too. Lend lightning magic"

【Magic Powers of Lightning will be lent to Io Akos. Time Remaining: 59 minutes 59

"I-I got it"

seconds 1

"Yosh, let's go"

I held Eleanor and Hikari, and charged with Nana, Io, and the soldiers we took with us.

The Comotoria army that noticed us intercepts.

There were around thousands of enemy soldiers that are surrounding it, but it doesn't matter with breaking through.

The hundreds of soldiers I had from Rica broke through, and reached the fortress.

"I had been told by the Queen Her Majesty, open the gates!"

I shouted with a loud voice towards the fortress.

Unlike the sounds of the battlefield, sounds of hesitance and noises could be heard.

The gates wouldn't open, it looks like they are hesitating.

Tch, you incompetents.

And while that was happening, the enemy soldiers closed in.

The soldiers I took with me collapses.

"Tch!"

I turned around, and cut the enemy soldiers.

"Nana! Lead the soldiers and go behind me. And persuade them to open the gates"

"What will Aruji do"

"I'll enter last"

"Understood"

"Io, shoot magic as much as you want. If you want to, don't mind hitting them with me"

"I understand"

I stopped the enemy soldiers with Io.

And while that happened, Nana somehow persuaded the Calamba soldiers in the fortress, and entered with the soldiers we took with us.

While defending against the enemy soldiers, I entered lastly.



"I am the adjutant of the Comotoria Subjugation Army, Eria Irio"

After entering the fortress, a woman welcomed us.

A woman who seems cold, and lacks flexibility.

"I am Yuuki Kakeru, a baron. I came, being told by Rica. My bad, but you'd hear my commands"

"Rica.....?"

Eria's eyebrows narrowed.

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"Rather than that, the situation——"
"Aruji, it looks like the enemy continued their attacks"
Nana said.
"Tch! There's no end"
"We'll intercept"
Eria said.
"Wait, leave this to me"
"Leave this, you mean?"
"There's no end playing defensive normally right? I want to talk leisurely. I will make
them shut up for a while"
"What are you planning to do?"
"Open the gates. Don't attack until I say so"
"But....."
I ignored that, and went towards the gates.
The soldier was surprised, but I said with a firm tone, and let him open the gates.
I went outside the fortress alone.
"Close it"
"Y-Yes"
I stood in front of the gates, and glared at the enemy soldiers.
Eleanor, and Hikari.
I held the two of them, and clad my body with twice the dark aura.
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The enemy army who re-invaded stopped.

"My name is Yuuki Kakeru!" When I named my self, they clattered around. "The ones who wants to die.....bring it on!" I shouted with a loud voice. The clattering stopped. [Wa~, Otou-san, so cool~] [H-Hmph. This much is natural] While holding the mother and daughter who were talking inside my head, I glared at the enemy army that had got silent. After waiting for a while, enemy soldiers charged. It's cavalry, their numbers are ten. I stopped their charge, and slashed the Demon Sword through all of them with their horses. Ten of them charged again. I slashed them off just like earlier. Next, arrows flew from afar. The arrows that fell like rain, I slashed through all of them with the Demon Sword. And lastly.

The man who had challenged me full of confidence, I cut him into half with one slash.

"My name is Manos, I will challenge you to a one on one fight"

I defeated all of the enemies who attacked one next to the other by myself.

And after doing that, I felt like fear and disrupt spread on their side.

After a while, the Comotoria soldiers retreated, surrounded the Debai fortress from afar, and stopped moving.

After confirming that, I casually returned inside of the fortress.

CHAPTER 59 GOOD WOMEN

When I entered the fortress, the soldiers came out to welcome me with cheers.

When we just arrived earlier, the atmosphere was like a dry cold winter, but right now its boiling.

It was as if they were welcoming a hero.

"Most" of the soldiers were like that.

Within that cheers, I stood in front of Eria.

"Let's talk about from now on"

"I have understood. Please, here"

"Io, you come too, Nana, take care of the soldiers we took with us"

"Yes!"

"Understood"

I said that to each of them, and followed Eria.

The soldiers naturally opened the way.

After walking a little bit, we came to the biggest commander tent.

Entering inside, I immediately said to Eria.

"There is only one thing that Rica told me to do, recapture Saria"

"Yes"

Eria nodded, but her eyebrows narrowed.

"The same orders, we had received it from Her Majesty the Queen. But——"

"No, I'm not talking about that"

I stopped Eria's words.

Eria was dumbfounded.

"Yours are before you go to war right? If so, it's natural. But mine was when the report that you were losing had reached. Do you get the difference with that?"

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"Even in this situation, it still means[Go and win]"

Specifically, Rica didn't say"Go and win", I said"I'll go win", so that is more right, but I'm doing what Rica wants.

"Push back in this situation, huh"

"I came for that"

"Are you thinking that that is possible"

"I don't understand difficult things"

Kacha, I made a sound with the Demon Sword.

"I only need to cut down the enemies in front of me until the goal is achieved"

" "

"And so, what will you do"

I said that, and while staring at Eria, I placed my hand on Eleanor's handle.

Implicitly, it's a threat, that I would cut her down and take over the soldiers in her stead.

For Rica, I will recapture Saria no matter what happens. For that, there's a need to command the soldiers inside this fortress.

Meaning, this Eria who is an adjutant would be a hindrance at worst.

If Eria insisted"We should retreat no matter what happens", it would be very

troublesome.

She's a woman, so I really don't want to do things like this, but at the worst case...... Eria stared straight at me.

A straight look, that enters the highest ranks of the women that I had met until now. We stared at each other for awhile.

"It will put Baron-sama in danger though"

"Un? What do you mean"

"I have a plan, but for that, Baron-sama——"

"About that huh"

I laughed, and interrupted Eria's words.

"Do all that you want"

I laughed. I laughed gleefully.

I was thinking about whether she would accept or not, and if I would cut her off or not with the result of her choice, but Eria was already thinking ahead.

She was already thinking of how to recapture Saria.

She's a good woman, I thought of that.



At that night, Nana, Io, me, and Hikari who returned to her human form, the four of us are inside the magic cottage.

There's one room connected to it, and has a kitchen.

It's a dreary room with only that, but it can be brought freely, and is more comfortable than a tent.

And inside, I explained the strategy to Nana and Io. It's the strategy I heard from Eria.

"The main troops led by Adjutant-dono will withdraw as it is. And when they chase after that, the small army force will be led and make a surprise attack to Saria that is undermanned, huh"

"That's how it is. If they retreat now, there will be pursuit for sure"

"That's right! They had surrounded here for that after all"

"The more that they pursue, the more that the Calamba's territory they can encroach after all"

"Understood, even with my poor abilities, on Aruji's side——"

"No, I'll have Nana fight in a different place. A place different with me"

Nana was dumbfounded for an instant.

"That is.....like what?"

"The rear guard of the main troops. It's a retreat to lure out the enemy, but it is surely a retreat. To lessen the casualties, and to not let them find out the plan, a proper rear guard is needed"

"I see! As expected of Kakeru-san"

Io looked at me with eyes of admiration.

[Most of are only the things said by the girl named Eria though]

Eleanor pointed that out inside my head.

"Ah! But isn't that very dangerous. I don't know very well, but I heard that the rear guard is very dangerous"

It's as she says.

While the whole army retreats, only the ones who are assigned to that cannot retreat,

troops that need to stand their ground.

Furthermore, they are going to need to defend against the enemy army who's winning, so its danger is far higher than a regular battle.

That is why——.

"Aruji, I am grateful"

"Un?"

"Someone like me, it is my pride being able to be trusted such as that"

She said it before me.

The things needed for a rear guard is strength and heart.

The strength to defend against the enemy, and the heart to continue standing their ground.

Both of them are needed.

I thought that Nana was very fitting for it.

Nana who was once called as the goddess of victory and hakua no seijo is most fit for it.

I wanted to say that to her, but she knew it first, and said it before me.

I would get frustrated with it normally, but I was happy.

"You're a good woman"

"Preposterous"

"No, you're a good woman"

I stared straight at Nana with a serious face.

"I'm counting on you"

And, said it again.

"Understood"

"Kakeru-san! Please let me join the rear guard too!"

Io said.

Gripping a fist, with expression with a firm resolution.

"Please let me also, be useful of Kakeru-san!"

".....it's dangerous you know"

"Please!"

"You're also a good woman huh"

After I said that, Io's expression lightens.

And Io she stared at Nana who looked back at her, and they nodded at each other. Their expressions tightened, they cheered themselves to the fight for tomorrow.

Really, the two of them are great women.

CHAPTER 60 CASTLE FORTRESS CAPTURE

"Well, then we shall go"

"W-Well be going"

Nana and Io before departing.

Nana hasn't changed as usual, but Io was clearly nervous.

I lent abilities to that Io.

[Magic Powers of Lightning will be lent to Io Akos. Time Remaining: 59 minutes 59 seconds]

The first prize of the limited lottery, I lent her with the longest duration.

And, I gave her the magic balls that I also got from the lottery.

"Bring these, you know how to use it right"

"Un, I only need to throw them right"

"That's right, the black ones are attack magic, the white ones are recovery magic"

"I understand"

Nana and Io returned to where Eria was waiting with the soldiers.

Commanding almost all of the army, they left the fortress, and started to retreat.

Leaving me, and the few soldiers I took with me from Meteora.

Shouting voices could immediately be heard from afar.

"Let's do our part huh"

[To where?]

Eleanor asked.

"If it goes like this, the Comotoria army would attack us right? If we don't show them

a [complete retreat], they wouldn't be able to pursue as they want right"

[Hmm, however, even though we have only a few people, wouldn't they attack if you moved to anywhere? If that is so, isn't it better to hide your breath inside this fortress]

"I only need to do this"

I used the warp feather, and teleported along with the soldiers.

I took all hundreds of soldiers, and moved to the mountain cow grasslands.

"Wait here for a while, return to the fortress after time had passed, and march the

army from there"

[I see]

Eleanor got convinced.

On the other hand, the soldiers who were suddenly teleported were clamoring.

"Be quiet"

I said with a low tone. I used Eleanor and Hikari to clad dark aura.

Their clamors disappeared. Rather than words, it looks like the enigmatic dark aura has more persuasion.

I closed my eyes, and waited.

Time passed.

Gradually, gradually, time passed.

Isn't it about time?

I thought of that, but I endured.

If I return to the place half-ways, the effects of the surprise attack will get thin.
I waited furthermore. Time passed.
Is it time? No, not yet.
Is it time? No, no, more.
Most probably, right now, Nana and Io are fighting desperately. Using all their powers
they are desperately defending the main troops' retreat——they should be fighting to
direct the situation.
[Otou-san]
"Un?"
[Onee-chans, are they okay]
Hikari's worried voice echoed inside my head.
[You idiot]
Eleanor scolded me.
[Isn't it the strategy that you made. If so, stand by it. If you're going to believe your women, believe them until the end]
"ahh"
I nodded.
That's right, I should believe those two.
I believed them, and waited.
The impatient feeling, it didn't come out after that.

Nana and Io, if it was the two.

My feelings silently got calmed down. The time passed.

[The lending of magic powers of lightning has ended]

I heard a voice.

It was the voice I was waiting for.

I opened my eyes, checked the soldiers, and warped.

I warped into the fortress. It was completely the same place we were before.

The soldiers clamored, but it was only a little compared to earlier.

"We will attack Saria right now, everyone, follow me!" "U000000!!"

The soldiers' shout on my back, I held the two Demon Swords, and advanced towards Saria.

Saria can be seen as an impregnable castle at one glance.

It has high towers, and it is surrounded by deep moats.

There is only one way that connects to the castle gates, and it is a slope on top of that.

The only way of attacking it is to run up there, but showers of concentrated attacks would come when doing that.

But, there's no way I can fall back. In the first place, there's not much time to do it. I ran straight up the slope.

[Otou-san, it's dangerous]

A lot of arrows came from the castle.

It was like rain, arrows that covered the skies flew towards me.

But, it's only arrows after all.

Eleanor and Hikari, I swung the Demon Swords and blocked them, and went up the slope.

I wouldn't be stopped with something like this.

"Baron-sama! Look at that"

One of the soldiers shouted.

He was pointing at the castle gates, the gates were opened, and huge rocks fell from there

Rocks few times the size of humans rolled down the slope, increasing its speeds.

"Uwaaaa!!"

"R-Run!"

Screams were raised from the soldiers.

Rocks that fell down the only path. It was natural to get scared and run away.

But, it's only rocks after all.

"Eleanor, Hikari. We're going to do it"

[Are you going to cut it?]

"I'll smash it"

[Leave it to me, Otou-san!]

Unlike the soldiers, I increased my speed and charged towards the rocks.

Within the screams and cheers I could hear from behind, I first hit the boulder with Eleanor.

Heavy feeling. It feels like I would be pushed back if I let my mind off of it.

"Something like......this!!!!"

I stopped it with Eleanor, and slashed it with Hikari.

Paka, the boulder that was cut into two, I smashed it into bits.

The rocks that became the size of a human, it got to the sides of the slope.

Without stopping my feet, I continued to run.

Arrows flew, magic flew, logs rolled down.

All of them, I cleaned them up on the lead.

Finally running through it at once, I charged to Saria with the soldiers.

The key-point of the borders, Saria. It didn't take an hour to make it fall.



Leaving the soldiers on Saria, I warped to the relay point fortress, and went after the main troops.

I moved by myself, broke through the back of the Comotoria army alone, and reached the place where the two were being the rear guard.

"Nana! Io!"

As expected of being the rear guard, the number of the soldiers the two were commanding had decreased compared to on the start.

But, the two doesn't seem to have any injuries.

With Nana on the lead, Io was supporting her by throwing magic balls from behind, that was their positions.

"Aruji!"

"Kakeru-san"

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"Sorry to keep you waiting"
"Then....?"
"Saria is?"
"Ahh, I took it"
The two's expressions lightened. And Io was very relieved.
I turned around, and hit Eleanor to the ground.
The dark aura exploded, creating a small crater.
With its impact, it stopped the battle temporarily.
I shouted towards the Comotoria army who were making faces what has happened.
"Listen! Saria has already fallen!"
"What a ridiculous thing"
Within the enemy soldiers, the man who wore the best clothes scoffed.
And one of the soldiers, the soldier who had a telescope said in a hurry.
"General! Saria, Calamba's flag in Saria!"
"What did you say!?"
That took the telescope from the soldier, and look afar.
There was no doubt that the Calamba's flag were definitely standing at Saria. And after
that confirmed it, he started trembling.
"R-Ridiculous, something like that. For Saria to fall in this short time.....was there a
betrayer"
I see, you can think of it as that huh.
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"I do not know"

"Ku!"

"Well now, decide. Will you surrender here, or will you die in an pincer attack"

I thrust Eleanor, and thrust my demands.

After he had hesitated, he surrendered.



"What an ambiguously amazing person, it was like you had gone to war by yourself"

Key-point Saria.

Inside the building for the commanders, Eria said that with a complicated face.

"It doesn't matter if there are results right. And also, I wasn't by myself this time"

It was because Nana and Io did their best.

The reason why the resistance of Saria was thin, was because the two guarded the rear with all their strengths, because they directed as if it was a real retreat, they were able to lure out the enemy soldiers very well.

It's not with me alone.

"Rather than that, can I leave all of the rest to you. Things like defending this place, or reporting to Meteora, all of them"

"There would be no problem for that.....what will Baron-sama do?"

"I have an important thing to do"

I said that and said farewell to Eria, and left there.

I entered another room, the room where Nana and Io were waiting.

The two were sitting, but tried to stand up the moment they saw me.

Io couldn't stand up properly, and Nana's movements were dull.

It was easy to tell how intense of a fight they had as the rear guard.

"Kakeru-san, here"

Io reached out her hands, the magic balls that I gave her, it returned decreased quite much.

Especially, white balls—recovery balls drastically decreased.

"Did you also use white ones?"

"Yes, most of it, I....."

"Most of it? Did you also use it to Nana"

"I have no excuse"

Nana bowed her head apologetically.

"It's fine. Rather than that, we're going to return to the mansion right now"

"Eh? W-We're going back? Don't you need to report to the Queen first"

"It's the mansion first. It's after such a fight, there's things I need to do right?"

Io got her face completely red, and Nana "Ah!", started to got a little unrest. After a fight. My libido that increase proportionally to the scale of the fight.

"I think that you're tired after the fight, but my bad"

"U~un, please do! Kakeru-san"

"If you insist, rewards"

The two's reactions, made me more excited.

After that, I made love to the two until they were drenched and sticky.

BONUS STORY

TERESIA'S TWIN FLOWERS

It's been a while since I have been with Aneue.

Inside the carriage that is coated with magic where the vibrations from the road cannot be felt, I am sitting facing Aneue.

Helen Teresia Mercouri.

My most beloved sister, she is very graceful, noble, and so beautiful that she even makes me, who is the same sex and her sister, mesmerized.

"What happened, Iris, staring at me like that"

"N-No. It is just, Aneue's dress appearance is so beautiful"

"Thank you. Iris is also very pretty you know"

I was praised by Aneue. I'm happy, but it's embarrassing.

To remove my embarrassment, I called out the man who is outside.

"Fortis"

"Ha!"

The replying voice, a serious military man's voice.

It is the loyal knight of Aneue, Fortis.

I asked him.

"How much would it take until Rejusu?"

"About four and a half days"

"We are late for a bit. Hurry"

Aneue's mouth opened. Her beautiful eyebrows narrowed.

It contrasts with her appearance of sitting with her back straightened while sitting, and her expressions looked like it was very grave.

"Ha! However, more than this, it would exceed the limits of the magic"

"I do not mind. Rather than that, make sure that we've made it before the messengers of the four countries leave"

"Ha!"

Fortis answered. Soon after, the carriage shook a little.

The shaking exceeded the magic's limits, so the carriage should be advancing at a fast speed.

Right now, we are heading for Yuuki Kakeru's mansion that is in Reiusu.

Answering to the Great Sage Althea's request, we are on the way to give him a noble title.

And that, Aneue made it hurry.

Honestly, I think that there is no need to do that much.

When I was thinking of that, my eyes met with Aneue's who were looking towards me.

"Iris"

It felt as if she had read inside my mind, and my heart thumped.

"W-What is it"

"Your dress is in disarranged"

"D-Dress, is it?"

I got in a hurry, and confirmed my own look.

Right now, I am not in my usual armor attire. It is the same gorgeous, decorated dress look as Aneue was.

I made my trusted court lady maid make me wear it. I cannot see how it is disarranged though.

"Do not move"

Aneue reached out her hands, she fixed my hem. It looks like the manner it folds had overlapped for a little.

"It is fine with this"

"Thank you very much"

After I had said thanks, Aneue made a sweet, pleasant smile, and returned her hands. Even those gestures, it was elegant, graceful, and refined.

I was mesmerized by her again.

Even though we are wearing the same type of dress, I could think that it matches her far more than it does than with me.

And that Aneue, she looked intently at me.

"What is it, Aneue"

"As I have thought, this one looks better with Iris. More than the usual armor attire"

"That is——"

"You should just wear clothes like this as usual. Iris does not go out to battlefields that much after all"

I couldn't say anything back.

That is right, as Aneue had said, I usually do not go into battlefields.

I had never gone even once. I had only readied my appearance and my feelings so that I would be able to go to one anytime, but for good or for bad, I had never encountered such chance.

Teresia's Twin Flowers.

The two princesses that participates in the Mercouri's state affairs, Aneue and I's nickname.

Aneue is trained for military affairs. If she strokes the black fan that could be called as her trade mark, it is said that the war situation changes drastically. She would be called as a god of war, in how I look at it.

I admired that Aneue, and always wore an armor attire for state affairs.

I raised my hair, clad myself in armor, and fluttered capes.

The imitation of Aneue's spirit, it was how my feelings of wanting to be of help of Aneue in the battlefield someday showed.

Of course, I had never told Aneue about that.

I answered "calmly".

"You are saying that, but state affairs are a pandemonium is no way inferior to a battlefield. It is a place where evil spirits who are sharpened by their old age wanders. A small girl such as me, I would not be able to resist them if I would not at least wear such attires"

"Is that so?"

"Yes it is"

"I see....."

Aneue nodded silently, it looks like she was convinced by it.

The excuse that I had thought about for years, that has about 30% of my true feelings. I would be very troubled if she didn't get convinced by it.

It was true that Aneue got convinced by it.

——But.

"Well then, I continue to make opportunities from now on, and take you to Kakeru-

sama's place okay"
"Eh?!"

Why does it become like that, I was dumbfounded.

"There are many beautiful people around Kakeru-sama, so Iris should also do her best to make herself pretty to not lose against them"

"H-However, I do not think that such things match me"

"That is not true at all. Iris had inherited Okaa-sama's blood very well. If you fix yourself, you will be beautiful that no one will leave you pass by"

"That is....."

I was so embarrassed.

Aneue is always praising me like that. She thinks of me.

She thinks of me who is very rough regarding that.

I was stared at by Aneue.

With a serious, kind eyes.

"A-At that time, will Aneue choose a dress for me"

"Of course. If Iris were going to dress beautifully, I would cooperate whatever" "Thank you very much"

Aneue smiled kindly and sweetly.

Our conversation was cut there.

The air that Aneue clad changed.

Aneue was as usual, having a straightened back, and stared straight ahead.

Excited, strong eyes, as if it pierced through the wall of the carriage.

It was eyes that she couldn't help but wait.

It changed to a face that she wanted to fly immediately to that man, Yuuki Kakeru, even

now.

There was a thorn in my chest.

As if to get repulsed by the unknown air that spread inside the carriage, I opened my mouth.

"There is one thing, that I want to ask?"

"What is it?"

"Is that man really that good?"

"About Kakeru-sama?"

"Yes"

After I nodded, Aneue's expression clearly changed.

From the awe-inspiring Teresia's Twin Flower, to that of a town girl in love.

"He is the greatest person for every kind of direction, Kakeru-sama is"

"Every kind"

I was not an answer at all, she was too blind for him.

"He is strong, gallant, but kind. When he was thinking of my side, he was always serious"

They were reasons that I probably heard somewhere before.

"Ah! That is not all. Listen, Iris. Kakeru-sama, right now, he is wearing my fan you know.

And after that"

She boasted her love affairs to me.

She completely, boasted her love affairs to me.

I know this face. It is the same face of my other elder sister who was born from another

mother, it is Kali Ricoris Mercouri's face.

It is the same face of that elder sister who contributes to men as if it was state affairs.

That is, a face I couldn't imagine that Aneue would make up until now.

I have gratitude for Yuuki Kakeru, I felt very grateful for the idea that is used for the royal emblem.

However! I can't forgive him making Aneue such a face!

Like this.....isn't she just a woman obsessed in love.

I need to do something......

When I was thinking of that, the shaking of the carriage stopped.

"Your highness, we have reached the mansion"

I heard Fortis's voice from outside.

In an instant.

"Let's go"

Aneue's expressions changed.

It was like——"Transform".

She straightened her back, and have an awe-inspiring face that looked straight ahead.

The obsession for love disappeared. She became beautiful.

Her gracefulness alleviated, and let out an aura full of elegance.

I felt like it was the most beautiful Aneue I had ever seen.

What in the world.....is this.

Aneue looked at me, and said.

"To complete our work. I need to not give an embarrassment for Kakeru-sama right"

Aneue's that, was for Yuuki Kakeru.

Helen Teresia Mercouri.

The other half of the twin flowers who is being called as the goddess of battlefields.

I don't want to think of this, but——I felt as if Aneue was "pulled up".

Compared to before, she was shining far more.

The one who did that, was.....Yuuki Kakeru.

I got interested in him. I gained more interest in him. I thought that I wanted to know more about him.

But, before that.

"Let's go"

Aneue stared at me. I nodded in reply.

I closed my eyes, and took a deep breath.

Because I am not used to a dress appearance, I did my best to imitate Aneue's movements.

To not give Aneue an embarrassment.

We went down of the carriage, entered the mansion with our subordinates.

"My name is Helen Teresia Mercouri"

"It is Iris Teresia Mercouri"

The messengers of the four countries started murmuring with each others, and while Aneue was opening her mouth.

I, stared at him, Yuuki Kakeru, trying to know more of him.

